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Principal bunks school to attend first day-first show

MANGALORE: In an unexpected turn, an esteemed principal of a primary school in the city was spotted enjoying the first day-first show of the latest Kannada blockbuster on Friday. Her absence from school, a departure from strict administrative norms, has sparked a unique conversation. While unconventional, her candid admission of needing a personal reprieve from demanding schedules resonates deeply. In an era of relentless commitments, her spontaneous act serves as a refreshing reminder: even leaders benefit from stepping away. It underscores the vital importance of personal well-being and finding joy, proving that sometimes, breaking routine is the best lesson.

Umpire doubles as a dancer in a match after rain delay

BANGALORE: The M. Chinnaswamy Stadium witnessed an extraordinary display of cheer yesterday, as a cricket umpire turned a rain-dampened afternoon into a memorable spectacle. Following a heavy downpour that left spectators visibly disheartened, the umpire decided to break from tradition when play resumed. With every decision, from a confident 'Out' to a nuanced 'Not Out', the umpire incorporated a distinct dance move. A subtle moonwalk for a wicket, a quick bhangra step for a boundary – the field became his impromptu stage. The stands, initially subdued, erupted in cheers and laughter, their spirits visibly lifted by the unexpected flair. "The crowd looked so downcast after the long wait," the umpire later remarked. "I just thought, why not add a little rhythm to the game? Cricket is entertainment, after all, and a little joy goes a long way." His unique performance ensured the match restarted not just with cricket, but with a renewed sense of fun, creating a truly unforgettable evening.

Belgaum cop turns meme-worthy to control traffic

BELGAUM: In a refreshing departure from conventional traffic management, a Belgaum traffic police officer has garnered widespread attention for using meme-inspired placards to regulate congested intersections. Faced with the city's bustling thoroughfares, the officer, whose innovative approach quickly went viral, displayed signs featuring popular internet memes cleverly adapted with traffic instructions. Commuters, initially surprised, found themselves smiling and, more importantly, adhering to the rules. "These days, the old tricks get missed and ignored easily," the officer explained. "These memes cut through the noise, making people notice, understand, and comply. It's about engaging them differently." The novel initiative brought both order and amusement to Madurai's busy streets.

As GDP hits an all-time high, senior financial analyst hits high notes

MYSORE: A routine press conference with expert financial analysts took an extraordinary turn yesterday. Following the official announcement of India's record-breaking GDP growth, a senior financial analyst renowned for his meticulous projections unexpectedly broke into a song. Overcome with joy, the analyst, who had just presented the impressive figures, spontaneously sang a series of powerful high notes, transforming the staid briefing room into an impromptu concert hall. Journalists, initially stunned, quickly erupted in applause. "When the economy sings, so do I!" he exclaimed, a wide grin replacing his usual serious demeanour. His joyous, if unconventional, display brought a much-needed burst of levity and genuine elation to the high-pressure world of economic reporting.

As stocks went up and down in the share market, so did traders' dance moves

BANGALORE: In an unusual spectacle at the bustling Stock Exchange yesterday, a group of traders traded their usual intense stares for impromptu dance moves. As stocks swung wildly, creating a rollercoaster of emotions, these market participants opted for a unique stressbuster: a spontaneous dance party amidst the trading floor. The rhythmic movements, a stark contrast to the usual high-stakes tension, drew curious glances and smiles. "When the market's going up and down, you either cry or you dance. We chose to dance," remarked one trader. This unexpected display offered a glimpse into the human side of high-pressure finance.

District Court judge delivers verdict while beatboxing

HUBLI: In a courtroom scene that redefined judicial decorum, a District Court Judge yesterday delivered a verdict punctuated by an unexpected beatboxing performance. Following a dispute between two neighbours about a street cat's ownership, the Judge, known for his sharp legal mind, surprised all present by interspersing his pronouncements with a catchy, brow-raising beatboxing. Lawyers and litigants initially exchanged bewildered glances, which quickly gave way to smiles and hushed amusement. The impromptu act successfully diffused the palpable tension, proving that even justice, at times, can find its own unique rhythm.

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In a message against appointing politicians as chairpersons of government-run enterprises, the High Court has said that "appointing a politician would result in detriment to the public interest". » PAGE 6

CM meets Rahul Gandhi, discusses Cabinet reshuffle

BENGALURU
Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday met Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi in New Delhi and reportedly discussed his proposal on the State Cabinet reshuffle. » PAGE 6

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Shah holds closed-door meet in Delhi to discuss govt. formation in Bihar

Amit Bhelari
PATNA

Winning team: LJP (RV) chief Chirag Paswan meeting Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar in Patna on Saturday. X/@ICHIRAGPASWAN

After the massive victory of the National Democratic Alliance in the Bihar Assembly election, the coalition began the process of government formation with a series of meetings on Friday. The NDA won 202 of the 243 Assembly constituencies in the State.

Janata Dal (United) working president Sanjay Jha met senior BJP leader and Union Home Minister Amit Shah in Delhi while fellow BJP leaders Dharmendra Pradhan and Vinod Tawde, who were given responsibility for the Bihar election, met Mr. Shah in the national capital to discuss strategy ahead of government formation.

The BJP, the JD(U), and their allies have asked all their MLAs to assemble in Patna. A senior BJP leader, requesting anonymity, said the next three to four days could see all formalities completed, including the formal declaration of the Chief Minister nominee.

Chief Minister Nitish Kumar too remained busy as he met winning candidates and other leaders. Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) chief Chirag Paswan was among those who met Mr. Kumar at his official residence to congratulate him on the victory.

"The NDA, led by Nitish Kumar*ji*, has achieved a historic victory, so our party delegation has come to congratulate him," Mr. Paswan said.

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9 killed as seized terror module cache explodes

The blast occurred 'accidentally' at Nowgam police station premises in Srinagar when a team was checking the explosives seized in the inter-State terror module case linked to Delhi car blast

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

Reduced to rubble: A building in the Nowgam police station premises damaged in the explosion on Saturday. DGP Nalin Prabhat said nearby buildings were also severely damaged. IMRAN NISSAR

An accidental explosion at Nowgam police station in Srinagar killed nine persons and left 32 injured on Friday night, the Jammu and Kashmir Police said.

The explosion occurred when a team of officials was handling explosive substances stored in an open area at the police station premises, Director General of Police Nalin Prabhat said on Saturday. The explosives were seized from Faridabad in Haryana on November 9 and 10 during the J&K Police's ongoing investigation into a "white collar" inter-State terror module, he added. The module was found to be linked to the November 10 Delhi car blast.

However, the police ruled out any terror angle in Friday's incident. Mr. Prabhat said the explosion was caused "accidentally" and "any other speculation" was unnecessary.

Among those killed were three forensic team members, two revenue officials, two crime photographers and a police official of the State Investigation Agency (SIA), all of whom were part of a magistrate's team.

Twenty-seven police personnel, two revenue officials and three civilians sustained injuries and were undergoing treatment. The DGP said nearby buildings were also severely damaged. "The extent of damage is being ascertained," he said.

The Jammu and Kashmir government announced an ex gratia of ₹10 lakh for the family of each of the deceased and ₹1 lakh for the severely injured.

Delhi car blast link

In the terror module case, three doctors were arrested between October 30 and November 8. The case was later found to be intrinsically linked to the Delhi car blast, as the person at the wheel of the car that blew up near the Red Fort was identified as Umar ul Nabi, a doctor and associate of two of the three arrested doctors – Muzammil Ahmad Ganaie and Adeel Ahmad Rather. All three are from south Kashmir.

The third arrested doctor, Shaheen Saeed, is from Lucknow and used to work at Al Falah University in Faridabad, where Dr. Ganaie and Dr. Nabi also worked. Dr. Rather was arrested from Saharanpur in Uttar Pradesh.

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Festive spirit

Making merry: Considered a symbolic start to the Christmas and New Year season, a traditional cake-mixing ceremony was organised in Vijayawada on Saturday. Chefs, bakers and guests took part in the ritual. G. N. RAO

Bengaluru tech park scam: How fraudsters used ads, malware and fear to loot U.S. victims

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The CCU has arrested 21 employees of the bogus firm, which operated under the name Musk Communications in Varthur Kodi near Whitefield.

In its first major operation, the Karnataka Cyber Command Unit (CCU) has cracked down on a fraudulent Indian company in eastern Bengaluru, which is believed to have cheated over 500 employees working in the United States. According to senior police officials, the scale of the scam runs into crores of rupees.

The CCU has arrested 21 employees of the bogus firm, which operated under the name Musk Communications in Varthur Kodi near Whitefield.

However, the kingpin, the owner of the company who had hired the arrested employees, is absconding. Investigators believe several more individuals are involved in the racket.

Pronab Mohanty, Director-General of Police and head of CCU, told *The Hindu* that they suspected more than 500, and possibly over 1,000 people, may have fallen victim to the scam.

Modus operandi

Top police officials said that the fraudsters had executed a sophisticated cybercrime modus operandi that combined exceptional communication skills with high-end technology.

The modus operandi is four-layered: deployment of malicious Facebook advertisements, execution of malicious code and system locking, inducing panic by claiming hacking and data compromise, and extorting money in the name of Federal Trade Commission (FTC) compliance.

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28 blackbucks die at Belagavi zoo; infection suspected

The Hindu Bureau
BELAGAVI

As many as 28 blackbucks have died since Thursday at the Rani Channamma Zoo at Bhutaramanahatti in Belagavi district. While eight died on Thursday, 20 more succumbed on Saturday. According to preliminary information, the animals died due to a bacterial infection and samples of internal organs have been sent for tests.

Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre announced that an investigation would be conducted into the incident.

The Minister instructed officials to take all precautionary measures to prevent other animals in the zoo from getting infected, said a release. "A high-level committee will be formed and an investigation will be conducted to ascertain whether the blackbucks died after consuming contaminated water or food, or whether the disease was spread by cats and other domestic animals," he said. There were a total of 38 blackbucks at the Rani Channamma Zoo, brought from the Binkadakatti Zoo in Gadag district and other places. They were between 4 and 6 years. The other animals in the zoo, including 10 blackbucks, are doing well.

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From the rubble: People search for what remains of their lives as they return to apartment blocks levelled by Israeli strikes. ALI JADALLAH

Saving lives: Palestinians rush to pull out survivors from beneath the rubble of a building. BELAL KHALED

Fragile hope: A child rescued from a bombed building arrives at a hospital as emergency workers surround the ambulance. BELAL KHALED

Rescue rush: Emergency workers attempt to revive a man brought in minutes after an Israeli bombing raid in Gaza. ALI JADALLAH

Gaza's photographers risk all to record

Nearly 200 media workers have been killed and hundreds more injured or arrested in Israeli bombing in the Gaza Strip, yet they persist in recording the human cost of the war

Despite the Israel-enforced media blockade, images of destruction from the Gaza Strip have not stopped emerging over the past two years, mainly because Palestinians have taken it upon themselves to be the chroniclers of their ordeal. In the process, they have paid a huge price.

According to the Committee to Protect Journalists, as of October 22, 2025, at least 198 Palestinian journalists, photographers, and video journalists have been killed in Israeli bombing in the Gaza Strip since the violence began on October 7, 2023. Beyond those killed, hundreds of Palestinian media workers have been arrested or have been injured in Israeli attacks.

Missiles and bombs from Israeli jets are not the only challenge photographers face in Gaza, where finding food is as difficult as getting electricity, wi-fi, and charging points for phones and cameras. Pursuing photography in such a situation requires superhuman effort and a fearless dedication to one's work.

At the recent HIPA (Hamdan Bin Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum International Photography Award) ceremony in Dubai, photographer Ali Jadallah – who continues to remain in North Gaza – won a top prize. When the organisers reached out to him to share the news, his response was: "Thank you, but how can I be happy?"

Jadallah is not alone. There are dozens of photographers who remain in the Gaza Strip who continue to record the human cost of the war, where peace is yet to return despite a ceasefire.

(Text by Kallol Bhattacherjee. The images are winning entries from the HIPA Awards 2025, presented on November 11. The reporter was a guest at the event)

Lost innocence: A grieving relative holds a child killed in an Israeli bombing. BELAL KHALED

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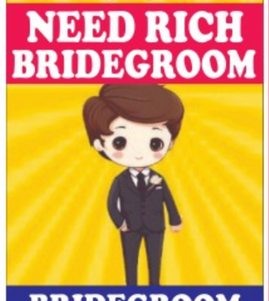

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TAMIL

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HINDU, CASTE no bar, NRI, VVIP, 26, 40 crores. 8138900312

HINDU, DIVORCED, VVVIP, NRI, Caste no bar. 8138900412

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GAVARA NAIDU B.E., 26/170/30K Fair Employed Seeks Suitable Same caste Educated Bride. Call: 9486724872

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HINDU, 31, caste no bar, BE, Business, 30 crores. 8138900537

HINDU, 29, Divorced, caste no bar, Royal, MBA, 10 crores. 8137003549

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NAIDU 29/185, H–some, BE, MBA, Own MNC,8000000.PA, Elite Business Family,100Cr–CNB. 9043991629, 9043987029

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Muslim Boy 1995 Born/ 178 cm/ Surgeon/ Residing in Bangalore /seeks a suitable match - Ct: (080-69103145)

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ELITE GROOMS WANTED

PILLAI, 31, 173 cms, Engineer, MBA. Lives in Chennai. Father is a Businessman. Family is financially well off. Looking for a like minded and well educated match from Pillai Community. Contact: 6366448344

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MUDALIYAR, KETTAI 39/165, M.Tech.,Ph.D.,HOD, Pvt.Engg. College, Pondy Seeks Bride 30 to 37yrs. 9942257578

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INTELLIGENT, HANDSOME 29, 170cm, well–educated professional (MEng), EU citizen (Paris). Loving Tamil/ Telugu family. Seeking compatible bride. Caste no bar. Call/WA 9345634365.

HINDU , 27, Thevar, NRI, MS, VIP, 200 cr. 8138900312

TAMIL

GAVARA NAIDU, 40/180, Uthiradam, Maharam, B.E.,M.S(Engg), Chief Engr. MNC Chennai, 15L PA, First Marriage seeks Naidu Bride. Ct: 9487272897

TAMIL HINDU SC AD 42 years BE, MBA, BANK(PSU) AGM Kochi Branch Legally divorced no child seeks Affectionate and Compatible Bride between 36 and 41years /divorcee without child. Ct: 88703 15039

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Inter-State racket selling adulterated Nandini ghee busted; 8,136 litres seized

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Central Crime Branch (CCB) has dismantled a large inter-State network involved in producing adulterated ghee in Tamil Nadu, packing it in fake Nandini-branded sachets and bottles, and distributing it across Bengaluru.

Four accused have been arrested, and 8,136 litres of adulterated ghee worth ₹1.26 crore have been seized.

According to officials, the accused exploited the high demand for Nandini ghee in Karnataka by preparing spurious ghee using coconut and palm oil in Tamil Nadu and supplying it to their Bengaluru counterparts, who held official KMF licences.

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These licence-holders allegedly distributed the counterfeit product to wholesale shops, retail outlets, and Nandini parlours across the city at full market price.

Acting on intelligence gathered by the CCB Special Investigation Squad and the KMF Vigilance Wing, a joint team conducted raids on Friday at the godowns, shops, and vehicles of Krishna Enterprises in Nanjamba Agrahara, Chamarajpet. A vehicle transporting adulterated ghee from Tamil Nadu, packed in fake Nandini sachets and bottles, was also intercepted, and its driver detained.

Police seized five mobile phones used in the crime, four goods vehicles, ₹1,19,640 in cash, machinery used to manufacture the fake ghee, and large quantities of coconut and palm oil. The total value of seized property is estimated at ₹1,26,95,200.

A case has been registered at the CCB Special Investigation Division. Further investigations are on.

'AI-powered system helped contain firecracker violations during Deepavali'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bengaluru city police claimed to have mitigated the issue of bursting firecrackers at nighttime during the Deepavali festival, with about 41% of complaints reported after the 10 p.m. deadline being contained through proactive AI-based detection methods.

Kuldeep Kumar Jain, Joint commissioner of Police (Administration), said that the enforcement cameras installed at strategic locations across the city are designed to spot firecrackers and smoke in public places and instantly alert the command centre, which then dispatches jurisdictional Hoysala units.

The initiative leveraged the city's expansive Safe City surveillance network, which includes more than 7,500 cameras and the ICCC infrastructure

This system has drastically reduced air and noise pollution, he said.

The technology was used for the first time in Bengaluru to effectively contain bursting fire crackers, especially during the nighttime.

"The AI-Powered Firecracker Detection and Response Initiative successfully validated the Bengaluru Safe City Project's capability to integrate advanced AI tools for real-time civic enforcement. Through collaboration between the Bengaluru City Police with IT companies, the project demonstrated measurable improvements in situational awareness, enforcement accuracy, and public safety. This initiative establishes a strong precedent for leveraging Safe City infrastructure to implement AI-based governance systems across India's major urban centres," said Mr. Jain.

The initiative leveraged the city's expansive Safe City surveillance network, which includes more than 7,500 cameras and the Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC) infrastructure. A Firecracker Detection Video AI app from Awiros Appstack, powered by the Awiros Video Intelligence OS, analysed live feeds from over 200 existing cameras located in high-density residential and commercial areas such as Srirampuram, K.R. Market, H.S.R. Layout, Haralur, and Marathahalli.

The AI algorithms were programmed to detect firecracker flashes, smoke, and crowd hyperactivity in real time. Upon detection, the system automatically generated alert packets containing location details, timestamps, and visual evidence. These alerts were instantly transmitted to the ICCC and field units via WhatsApp, enabling control room operators to verify incidents and coordinate immediate police response.

Realtor and former cricket team owner arrested for sexually harassing 36-year-old Kannada film actor

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Govindarajanagar police on Saturday arrested businessman and AVR Group founder Aravind Venkatesh Reddy early on Monday at Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) following a lookout notice against him in connection with a sexual harassment case.

The accused, a real-estate entrepreneur, film producer, and former Bellary Tuskers cricket team owner, was arrested by the police soon after he landed from Sri Lanka, where he had travelled for a cricket-related event.

Nine movies

The victim, who is around 36 years and has acted in around nine movies in Kannada cinema, alleged that she met Aravind in 2021, when he contacted her and invited her as a special guest for a cricket tournament inauguration in Sri Lanka.

Their interactions soon turned cordial, with the businessman allegedly displaying "care, affection and persistent attention."

Aravind, whose AVR Group sponsored several celebrity cricket tournaments in Dubai, Sri Lanka, and India, frequently interacted with actors and models, and the actress stated that he gradually "entered her personal space" under the pretext of friendship.

The victim stated in her complaint that when the actress began distancing herself and expressed clearly in 2023 that she did not want to continue the relationship, Aravind allegedly began to stalk and even threatened her with dire consequences.

Unable to withstand the mental and physical harassment, the actress reportedly attempted suicide at her residence in J.P. Nagar.

She was rushed to a hospital by her friend.

The actor also accused him of morphing her photographs and circulating them online. A separate complaint was filed at the south division cybercrime police station.

(Those in distress or those having suicidal tendencies can call Arogya Sahayavani Ph.: 104 for help.)

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client **Smt. Malathi B R,** W/o Sri. Dasaraju, aged about 62 years, residing at No. Megala Beedi, near Navagraha Temple, Kanakapura Town, Ramanagar District who is the absolute owner of Property No. 25-503-54, having Khata Sl.No. 11513, measuring East to West 18.288037 Mtrs., and North to South 10.972822 Mtrs., totally measuring 200.67048 Sq. Mtrs., situated at Ramanagara District, Kanakapura Taluk, Kanakapura Town Ward No.16 (as per Form No-03 Ward No.4) PID No. 25-503-54 in Kuvempunagar, has lost the **original Sale deed dated 21-03-1984 vide document No. 2948/1983-84 executed by Kempegouda @ Tammaiah in favour of Smt. Lakshmamma.** She had also lodged a complaint in this regard before the Bangalore South Police on 11-11-2025 vide lost report No. 1895618/2025. In spite of the best efforts same could not be traced.

Therefore, it is requested that the general public who ever may find the said original sale deed or person in possession of the said original documents to hand over the same to the undersigned **within 15 days** from the date of this publication.

P.Mahalinga Bhat and Srividya P.M,
Advocates,
Office Address: No.2386,T F-2, 3rd Floor, Keerthi Kuteeram Apartment, Pipeline Road, K.S. Layout, Bangalore – 78
Mobile - 9341215791
Bangalore/Dated : 15-11-2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the NOTICE of General Public, that my clients **1. SRI.J.P.SUMAN,** S/o Sri.Prabhakaraiah, AADHAR NO.2888 9275 2265 and **2. SMT. VANDANA.A,** W/o Sri.J.P.Suman, AADHAR NO.5045 4671 5094, intends to purchase the schedule property from **SMT.ALIYA SULTHANA,** W/o Late Syed Noor Pasha, AADHAR NO.9488 2408 6509.

This notice is hereby given for the information of General public that, any persons/Banks/Financial institutes having any right, title, share, claim or interest against/in the schedule property may contact me with their documentary/legitimate proof in support of their claim within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this notice. If no claim is so lodged with me within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of publication, after which my clients shall proceed with the Absolute Sale Deed on the basis that there are no claims whatsoever, as if the same is free from all kinds of claims/encumbrances and no claim shall be entertained later.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Site New No.1222/1B, Old No.1-B, BBMP EPID No.5430465718, formed in converted Land bearing Sy.No.24, vide Conversion Order bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR.(S)179/2003-04 dated: 02/09/2003, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Situated at Vasanthapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, Measuring : East to West 40 feet and North to South 32 feet, in all measuring 1280 Sq.feet, along with RCC roofing house constructed thereon, consisting of Ground floor 940 Sq.feet and First floor 940 Sq.feet and bounded on:: EAST BY : Private Property, WEST BY : 20 feet Road, NORTH BY : Site No.1-A and SOUTH BY : Site No.1-C.

Mrs.M.Manjula, Advocate
No.C-1, 1st Floor, Maruthi Pearl Plaza, D.V.G.Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004.
Mob: 9945027091.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is issued on behalf of my client **SRI. KARTHIKEYAN.S,** S/o Late.P.Shivalingam, aged about 40 years, to bring to the notice of the general public that the Original sale deed bearing doc. No1950/1979-80, in Book-1, Volume No.634 at pages 1 to 2, dated:03.10.1979, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar Srirampuram, Bangalore, is lost.

If any person/s, firm, company, institution or organization has any claim are holding the afore mentioned document, they shall return the same or contact the undersigned in writing within **07 days** from the date of this notice failing which it will be presumed that there are no claims.

Schedule: All the piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.8, formed in Sy.No.370 of Marenahalli Village, Kempapura Agrahara, Bangalore, Corporation Division No.21, Measuring East to west : 30-0 Feet and North to South : 40-0 Feet, in all measuring 1200 Square Feet and bounded on: **East by :** Site No.9 , **West by :** Site No.7, **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Road.

Raviprakash.H.C, Advocate,
#644/32, 6th Main, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040.
Mob:- 9980052890 / 8660025758

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No.: B/TRD.2025-26/26
Dated 10.11.2025

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Item of work	Approx. Value
Conversion of Tramway OHE to conventional at KSR Bengaluru (SBC) yard	Rs. 1,13,21,950.32

Last date for submission of bids:
Upto 15:00 Hrs. on 01.12.2025

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/Traction Distribution/Bengaluru

PUB/643/AAMO/PRB/SWR/2025-26

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Mrs. M. Renuka, W/o Mr. G. Shivaji Rao, residing at Flat No. 101, 1st Floor, Tower-3, Oceanus Vista, Kasavanahalli, Carmelaram, Bengaluru – 560035, hereby declare that the names "M. Renuka," "Renuka M," "Uma," and "Renuka Marati" refer to one and the same person, namely myself. I further confirm that I have executed an affidavit dated 28/10/2025 at Bengaluru, duly notarized before Adv. B. M. Chandrashekar, and registered vide Sl. No. 145/2025, Book No. 61, Page No. 28, dated 04/11/2025.

B. M. Chandrashekar Advocate & Notary Public Residing at: No. 47, BDA Complex, Koramangala, Bengaluru – 560034.

IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT AT BENGALURU.

MISC. PETN. No. 131/2025

(U/s 92(1) of CPC 1908)

BETWEEN : 1. **Sri. V. L. BHARATHRAJ,** S/o V. Lakshminarayana, Aged about 50 years, Aadhar No. 5926 9117 0858. PAN: ADAPR0404L.

2. **Smt. V. VIJAYALAKSHMI**, W/o V. Lakshminarayana, Aged about 72 years, Aadhar No. 2839 8467 4042. PAN: ALTPU5591K.

Plaintiff No. 1 & 2 are Presently R/at No. 1583, Nisarga Layout, Harapanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Bengaluru Urban District.

3. **Sri. MUKUND KULKARNI**, S/o Mohan Rao L Kulkarni, Aged about 52 years, Presently R/at No. 512, OLD HICKORY BLVD APT # 1508, Nashville, TN, 37209, U.S.A.

Also, at: No. 14, Shanthi Nikethan Apartment, 2nd Cross, Amruthahalli, Bengaluru-560092. PAN: ADTPK2163Q

Rep. by his father as GPA Holder viz., Sri. Mohan Rao L Kulkarni S/o late Lakshman Rao Kulkarni, R/o "Kulkarni Chawal", behind Vijaya Bank, Venkatapet, Bagalkote - 587101. **...Applicants/Plaintiffs**

AND : 1. **M/s. NIRMAN/NISARGA PROPERTIES MAINTENANCE TRUST ®** A Trust registered under the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 Having Reg. Office At No. 572SE, Shopping Complex, 1st Floor, Nisarga Layout, Near Koppa Gate, Bannerghatta Anekal Main Road, Jigani Hobli, Bengaluru-560 083. Rep. by its Managing Trustee.

2. **Sri. V. LAKSHMINARAYAN** S/o Late H. Venkatappa, Aged about 78 years, The Managing Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, Residing at No. 45NN, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

3. **Sri. J. V. SHIVARAM REDDY** S/o Late Vasanth Reddy, Aged about 78 Years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No. 212 NE, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

4. **Sri. SANGAMESH E. BADIGER** S/o Eshwarappa, Aged about 56 Years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.1804, Nisarga Layout Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

5. **Sri. L. MICO NAGARAJ** S/o Lagumaiah, Aged about 51 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Nirman Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.1210, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

6. **Sri. HARSHA ANANDA MURTHY** S/o K. Anand Murthy, Aged about 44 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.197NE, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

7. **Sri. A. M. CHOWDA REDDY** S/o T. Munegowda, Aged about 49 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.89-NN, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

8. **Sri. S. RAVIRAJ BHAT** S/o Late U. Govinda Bhat, Aged about 59 years, No.997, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

9. **Sri. LOKESH. D.M.** S/o G. Muniyappa, Aged about 57 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.114, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

10. **Sri. F. ASADULLA BEIG** S/o Late M. A. Fareed Baig, Aged about 70 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.126NN, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

11. **Sri. SATHISH U. CHOKKADI** S/o Subbappayya, Aged about 59 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.1045, Nisarga Layout, Subbappayya, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

12. **Sri. H. M. RAVICHANDRA** S/o H. S. Mopureddy, Aged about 55 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No. 487, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

13. **Smt. PADMAJA NARSIPUR** W/o Deepak Narasipura, Aged about 51 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.1724, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

14. **Sri. MANJEET KUMAR** S/o Wakil Prasad Yadav, Aged about 28 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.124, Nirmal Nagar, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

15. **Sri. MUKESH BHRADWAJ** S/o Late Mahesh Chand Sharma, Aged about 71 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.372A, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

16. **Sri. M. GOPAL REDDY** S/o Sri. Mopoora Reddy, Aged about 60 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.1018, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

17. **Sri. VINOD K.R. PILLAI** S/o Raveendran Pillaia, Aged about 49 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No. 125 NE, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

18. **Sri. RAJESH K.M.,** S/o K. S. Mallappa, Aged about 50 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No.134, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

19. **Sri. M. MANJUNATHAIAH** S/o C. Muniyappa, Aged about 66 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Nirman Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No. 106NE, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

20. **Smt. GEETHA RAMAPRIYAN** W/o H. R. Ramapriyan, Aged about 60 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, R/at No. 558, Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105.

21. **SRI. DORAIRAJ BALAJI** S/o Late. K. Dorairaj, (Sitting Trustee), Aged about 78 years, The Trustee of M/s. Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust®, Presently R/at No. 1906, "Vijaya Balaji Nilayam", 3rd Main, 3rd 'A' Cross, Nisarga Layout, Near Boat House, Harappanahalli, Bannerughatta Post, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560105. **...Respondents/Defendants**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS the plaintiffs being the members of the 1st defendant M/s Nirman/Nisarga Properties Maintenance Trust ® and aggrieved by the misappropriation of Trust's funds by the existing Trustees, mismanagement of immovable properties Trust and breach of objectives of the Trust have instituted the above Misc. Petition U/s 92(1) of CPC 1908 seeking leave of the Hon'ble Court to grant leave to institute the suit against the 1st Defendant Trust and others for various reliefs. The Hon'ble Court in its order 06-11-2025 granted leave to the plaintiffs to institute the suit against the aforesaid Defendants and issued notice on the Defendants therein.

Hence it is brought to the notice of general public that any interested persons / institutions having any manner of claim or interest in respect of the 1st Defendant Trust or in the above case may appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or by a counsel duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit and interim applications on **02/12/2025** at **11-00 AM.**

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 14th Day of November 2025.

By order of the Court, Chief Administrative Officer,
Prl. District & Sessions Judge, Bengaluru Rural District.

Advocate for plaintiffs:
M/s M. Veerabhadraiah & Associates, Advocates
10th Floor, Tower Block, Unity Building, Mission Road, Bengaluru - 560 002.
Mob: 94483 88949.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Mr. Prafulla I Marfatia represents that the Original General Power of Attorney executed by himself and his wife Mrs.Madhuri Marfatia in favour of Mr.Jeetendra Singh, son of Late Pratap Singh, for purchasing Apartment **No. CS-01,** presently bearing BBMP E Aasthi Property No.1721/Survey No. 31/2/Flat No. CS-01 (E.P.I.D No.1235986902), on the Second Floor in Block 'C' of **"BANYAN TREE",** having a super built-up area measuring **2,428.42 sq.ft.**, together with One covered Car parking space in the Basement Floor, along with **1,214.39 Square Feet** of Undivided right, share, title, interest and ownership over Land bearing Sy.No. 31/1 measuring 21 Guntas and Sy. No. 31/2 measuring 3 Acre 22 Guntas, bearing Consolidated BBMP Khata No. 150/154/31/1 and 31/2, totally measuring 1,77,507 Sq.Ft., or thereabouts, situated at **Kariyammana Agrahara Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** has been lost/misplaced and not mortgaged/ pledged.

A police complaint bearing Lost Report No.1845064/2025, dated 10/10/2025 has been Lodged.

Person/s in possession of the aforesaid document may return the same to the undersigned.

Geetha Halliyal,
TAVISA LEGAL Advocates
42 High Street, No.775, 2nd Floor, 100 feet Road, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560038, Ph : 9980519476
email : geethahalliyal@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to purchase the property shown in the schedule below from Mrs. Leela Mudiyam (formerly known as B.C Leelavathi), W/o Dr. Ram Mudiyam, residing permanently at 19366 Woodlands Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92648 USA and Indian residence at 366, 11th Cross 2nd Block, R.T Nagar, Matadahalli, Bengaluru.

Any person(s) having any claims or rights over the schedule property or having any valid and tenable objections to the proposal of my client to purchase the schedule property from Mrs. Leela Mudiyam (formerly known as B.C Leelavathi), W/o Dr. Ram Mudiyam may lodge his/their claims/rights or objections, if any with the undersigned within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Please note that if no valid objections or claims are received within the said period, my client shall proceed with the transactions and no claims/objections received thereafter will be entertained nor will it bind my client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Residential property bearing Site No. 366, 2nd Block, R.T Nagar, PID No.97-3-366, Matadahalli, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 17.37 Mtrs, and North to South 12.19Mtrs and in all measuring 211.74 Square meteres and bounded on :- East By : Road, West By : Site bearing No.379, North By : Site bearing No. 367, South By : Site bearing No. 365.

SIDDHARTH SUMAN, Advocate
No. 206, 80 Feet Road, 6th Cross, RMV 2nd Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore-94.
Bangalore, Date: 13.11.2025

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

No. 42/LP/NS/42255746 Date : 10.11.2025 Dy.CMM/NWR/Ajmer, acting for and behalf of the president of India invites E-tender against tender no. 42255746 Dt.06.11.2025 Closing Dt.05.12.2025 at 14:25 hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and times only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offers received shall be ignored. **1. Description of work :** ROOF MOUNTED AC PACKAGE UNIT (RMPU) FOR LHB EOG AC COACHES IN COACH SETS CONSISTING OF RMPU (WITH R-407C REFRIGERANT)-02 NOS. AND MICROPROCESSOR CONTROLLER UNIT -1 NO., WITH SUPPLY OF BELLOWS SET CONSISTING OF 01 NO. SUPPLY AIR BELLOW, 02 NOS FRESH AIR BELLOWS & 02 NOS. RETURN AIR BELLOWS DUCTS MADE OF META ARAMID/ PARA- ARAMID FABRIC WITH SILICON RUBBER COATING ON BOTH SIDES TO SPEC. NO. RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0197-2020 (REV-0), RMPU AS PER SPECIFICATION NO RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0061-2005, REV-1, TYPE-I & MICROPROCESSOR CONTROLLER UNIT TO RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0139-2009, REV-1, COMPLETE WITH ACCESSORIES, AS PER SCOPE OF SUPPLY AS IN THE RDSO SPECIFICATION. **2. Quantity :** 10 Set. **3. Date & time for submission of Tender :** Submission of E-Tender up to 05.12.2025 at 14.25 Hrs. **4. Website particular : www.ireps.gov.in** **1455-CR/25**

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FORM NO. 14
[See Regulation 33(2)]
By. Regd. A/D Desti failing which by Publication

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNBAL - 1 BENGALURU
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajabhavan Road, Bengaluru - 560001.

DEMAND NOTICE
NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY DEBTS DUE TO BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961.
RC 329 / 2021

03-09-2021

PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
Branch Office at Anand Nagar, No. 1, 50 Feet Road, Anand Nagar, Bengaluru - 560024.
... Certificate Holder

Versus

M/s. Dowac Systems and Projects India Pvt. Ltd. and Others
To,
1. M/s. Dowac Systems and Projects India Pvt. Ltd.
No. 59/9, Primforse Road, M.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560001.
Represented by its Managing Director Dinesh Kumar Jain
Also At : Dowac House, Site No. 13, Khata No. 109/A, Nagashettihalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru - 560 094.
2. Sri Dinesh Kumar Jain S/o. Late Mishrimal Chunnilal Shah
Managing Director of M/s. Dowac Systems and Projects India Pvt Ltd.
Residing at : No. 324, 364 Cross, 7th Main, Jayanagar 5th Block, Bengaluru - 560 011.
Also Residing At : No. 3, 4th Floor, 3rd Cross, 2nd Main, Gandhi Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 009.
3. Smt. Usha Jain, Director of M/s. Dowac Systems and Projects India Pvt. Ltd.
Residing At : No. 324, 36A Cross, 7th Main, Jayanagar 5th Block, Bengaluru - 560 011.
4. Sri Bharath Kumar Jain S/o. Late Mishrimal Chunnilal Shah,
Director of M/s.Dowac Systems and Projects India Pvt. Ltd., Residing At : No. 3, 4th Floor, 3rd Cross, 2nd Main, Gandhi Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 009.
... Certified Debtor

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursance of orders passed by the **Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bengaluru (DRT-1) in OA/1173/2018** an amount of **Rs. 1,22,97,216.00 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Two Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Sixteen Only)** along with pendentellite and future interest and costs till realization.

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.

3. You hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.

4. In addition to the sum of aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay :

(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.

(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date **03-09-2021.**

(Rajasekharan .R)
RECOVERY OFFICER - 1
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL
BENGALURU (DRT 1)

Note : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below :

"Rule 16(1) where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.

(2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Mr. Neelakant Reddy Patel is the absolute owner of Schedule Property, he has lost the original Sale Deed dt. 21/02/2000, he intends to sell the property any person having any right, title, interest or claim over the property Shall file objection if any before the undersigned within 15 days failing which all claims shall stand forfeited.

Schedule Property

House Property bearing No.887, measuring (40x70) ft in total 311.11 sq. mts., at Kothihosahalli, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru 560092, Bounded by: East : 886, West: 888, North: 908, South: Road

Lohith Anand B.G. Advocate
#1570,'B' block 20th Cross Road
Sahakaranagar,
Bengaluru 560092

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that Shri. S. SURESH, aged about 40 years, s/o. Late. R. Subramani, R/at No. 84, II Cross, Bashyam Nagar, BANGALORE – 560 021, is the full & absolute owner of the House Property bearing Old No. 200, New No. 1, Situated at Dayananda Nagara, Bangalore, which is morefully described in the schedule below, having purchased from B. Sargunam, under Sale Deed dated 19/01/2012, registered as Document No. SRI-1-03328/2011-12 of Book - I stored in C.D. No. SRID 112 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Srirampura, Bangalore.

It is further notified to the general public that the earlier Deed/s (i) Gift Deed dated 19/04/1982 executed by K. Kuppuswamy in favour of his daughter/K. Rukmini registered as Document No. 200/1982-83 of Book – I Volume No. 768 at pages 168 to 170 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Srirampuram, Bangalore and (ii) Sale Deed dated 26/09/1984 executed by K. Rukmini in favour of Parvathi, registered as Document No. 2101/1984-85 of Book – I Volume No. 945 at pages 25 to 28 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Srirampuram, Bangalore, was lost/missing. A Police complaint in this regard was also lodged with the Jurisdictional Police/Bangalore City vide Lost Report No. 1900912/2025 dated 13/11/2025.

It is hereby requested that if any person/s comes across or finds the same, they are requested to hand over the same to the below-mentioned address & they will be compensated accordingly.

It is also notified that S. Suresh is intending to avail a Mortgage Loan from LIC Housing Finance Ltd., by mortgaging the Property Documents.

The General Public is hereby further cautioned that if anybody deals with the Schedule Property with any person/s based on the misplaced/lost document mentioned above, it is at their own risk & cost and such person/s will not derive any title over the Schedule Property, and in such an event, they have no claim of whatsoever nature against S. Suresh nor the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of House Property bearing Old No. 200, New No. 1, with BBMP PID No. 24-8-1, BBMP Ward Old Nos. 11, 17, and 24 New Ward No. 97, Situated at Dayananda Nagara Ward, 5th Cross, Labour Colony, Srirampuram, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 20 feet, North to South 24 feet, in all measuring 480 square feet, together RCC Roofed House constructed on the Ground Floor with Red Oxide Flooring, Jungle Wood Doors and Windows with water and electricity facilities, and other civic amenities, and bounded on: -

East by : Property bearing Old No. 201, presently Kuppuswamy's Property;
West by : Main Road;
North by : Conservancy Lane and;
South by : Cross Road:

Sd/- **Shri. G.N. Harish,** Advocate
312, Ground Floor, 21st 'A' Cross
VI Block, Jayanagar, BANGALORE - 560 070
Dated: 15/11/2025

ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES
ANSARI NAGAR, NEW DELHI - 110 029
EXAMINATION SECTION
Common Recruitment Examination (CRE-4)
Notice No. 349/2025

Common Recruitment Examination (CRE-4) for Recruitment to the various Group- 'B&C' posts at Participating AIIMS and Central Government Hospitals under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Online applications are invited from eligible Indian Citizens for Recruitment to various Group-'B & C' posts on the behalf of all participating Institutes/Hospitals with following schedules.

Online Registration for applications	
Start Date	- 11th November, 2025
Close Date	- 29th November, 2025

Date of Recuritment Examination

Date of issuing of Admit Card	- Three days before the examination
Intimation of exam city of examination center	- One week before the examination
Date of Exam	- 22nd to 24th December, 2025 (Tentative)

APPLICATION FEES:

A) General/OBC Candidates : Rs.3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only)
B) SC/ST Candidates/EWS : Rs.2400/- (Rupees Twenty-Four Hundred only)
C) Persons with Disabilities : Exempted

- The candidate can pay the prescribed application fee through DEBIT CARD/CREDIT CARD/NETBANKING. Transaction/ Processing fee, if any, as applicable, will be payable to the bank by the candidate.
- Application fee, once remitted, shall not be refunded under any circumstances.
- Applications without the prescribed fee would not be considered and summarily rejected.
- Application Fees of SC/ST candidates who appear in the Examination will be refunded after the declaration of results in due course of time.

Important: For detailed information please visit the website **www.aiimsexams.ac.in or respective participating Institute/Hospital.**

- Status of application and Admit cards of eligible candidates will only be uploaded on AIIMS website www.aiimsexams.ac.in. If any candidates feel difficulty during submission of application may raise a query by login with credentials on My Page (Dashboard)
- All applicants are required to visit the website regularly since all subsequent Corrigendum/Addendum/ Updates will be uploaded on the website only.

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Sd/-
ASSISTANT CONTROLLER (EXAMS.)

Fleeting joy: Despite the surrounding devastation, a child lights up the evening with sparklers in Gaza. BELAL KHALED

Waiting for aid: Palestinians wait at a World Food Programme distribution centre in Jabalya refugee camp, on February 6. JEHAD AL SHRAFI

Fight for life: A woman carries her child as she rushes from her home following Israeli airstrikes in the Ridwan neighbourhood of Gaza City, on October 23, 2023. ALI JADALLAH

Shattered family: A Palestinian mourns the loss of a family member in the strikes in Gaza. ALI JADALLAH

Life continues: Palestinians Ali Marouf and his mother Aisha cook over an open fire on the roof of their destroyed house. JEHAD AL SHRAFI

Flash protest held inside Lalbagh against planned twin tunnel project

Protesters allege that the government is pushing ahead with the multi-crore project despite expert warnings and unresolved gaps in the Detailed Project Report

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A flash protest being staged inside Lalbagh against the proposed twin tunnel project linking Hebbal and Silk Board. VIDEO GRAB

Student and environmental collectives on Saturday held a flash protest inside Lalbagh Botanical Gardens opposing the proposed 17-km tunnel project between Silk Board and Hebbal.

The All India Students Association (AISA) and Fridays For Future-Karnataka, which led the protest, alleged that the government is pushing ahead with the multi-crore project despite expert warnings and unresolved gaps in the Detailed Project Report (DPR).

"The tunnel is estimated to cost ₹17,000-₹20,000 crore, making it one of Karnataka's most expensive transport projects. At a time when the metro fares are being raised in the name of fund shortage, this scale of expenditure on a project that will only benefit a small section of people is entirely unjustified. Also, the government has not conducted an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study or carried out essential geological, hydrological and biodiversity studies," they said.

Activists warned that large-scale underground drilling could destabilise soil layers, disrupt groundwater flow and worsen Bengaluru's already severe flooding and drainage issues.

'Destroying nature'

Meanwhile, Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R. Ashok said that the Congress government is destroying the environment by constructing a tunnel road.

Speaking during a signature collection and inspection event near Sankey Lake, he said that the Sankey Lake is being harmed for the tunnel road in Bengaluru. "We are not opposed to development. However, whenever the Congress government brings any project, it looks to damage the environment. They have not obtained permissions from any departments, including the Environment Department, Archaeology Department, and Forest Department," he alleged.

Three from Bengaluru among 6 killed in separate accidents in Dakshina Kannada

The Hindu Bureau
MANGALURU

Six persons, including three from Bengaluru, were killed and seven others injured in separate accidents in Dakshina Kannada on Saturday.

Three persons were killed and six persons, including the driver of a car, were injured after their car hit a concrete structure at Narayana Guru Circle at B.C. Road, in Bantwal taluk.

The police gave the names of the deceased as Ravi, 64, Nanjamma, 75, and Ramya, 23 from Bengaluru. The injured persons were car driver Subrahmanya, Susheela, Keerti Kumar, Kiran, Prashanth, and Bindu.

The police said eight members of a family were travelling in a hired car to Udupi from Bengaluru. The driver lost control over the vehicle and hit the structure on the Bengaluru-Mangaluru National Highway 75. Of the injured, three suffered serious injuries. They were undergoing treatment in nearby hospitals.

The Bantwal traffic police registered case under Sections 281, 125A, 106 of the BNS.

Superintendent of Police K. Arun said *prima facie* driver fatigue owing to overnight drive looked to be the cause of accident. The lamp post was not working at the circle in B.C. Road for the last few days. This circle was not among the blind spots identified by the police, he said.

Another accident

Three persons in an autorickshaw were killed after their vehicle got sandwiched between two tankers at Panambur junction on NH 66 in Mangaluru.

The police gave the names of the deceased as autorickshaw driver Mohammed Kunchi, 25, a resident of Ullal, and passengers Aboobacker, 65, and Ibrahim, 68, residents of Konaje.

In a statement, the police said a gas tanker heading towards Mangaluru from Mulky stopped at the junction at around 11 a.m. after seeing a herd of cattle crossing the road. An autorickshaw, which was following the tanker, and a car, which was following the autorickshaw, also stopped.

Then another tanker carrying ethanol and being allegedly driven in a rash and negligent manner rammed the car. In the impact, the car rolled out of the highway. The ethanol-laden tanker then hit the autorickshaw, which got stuck between the two tankers.

The autorickshaw driver and the two passengers died on the spot. Car driver Anand Sanil was injured and was admitted to a local hospital.

The police arrested Mohammed Sheiky, the driver of the ethanol-laden tanker, for offence punishable under Section 106 of BNS.

Commonwealth of Learning, NAAC ink pact

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Commonwealth of Learning (CoL) and the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Saturday to strengthen quality assurance in Indian online higher education.

Under this MoU, a 16-month project titled "Transforming Indian Higher Education through Online Learning" was launched to build the capacities of 10 selected universities.

The collaboration aims to train Directors of Online Education and IQAC heads in strategising online learning, enhancing faculty competencies in curriculum design and student engagement, and generating insights for national policy improvement.

Expected outcomes include quality-assured online programmes, developed QA indicators, improved institutional practices, strengthened regulations, and the sharing of best global and Indian practices with other countries.

BIS hosts technical discussion

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Bengaluru Branch Office, hosted a "Manak Manthan" technical discussion on Tuesday at its Peenya office.

The meeting focused on two product standards – IS 2347:2023 for Pressure Cookers and IS 14756:2024 for Stainless Steel Cookware.

Premlata Sinha, joint director, BIS Bengaluru, explained the technical requirements, safety provisions, and testing methods in the standards, along with certification and compliance procedures.

The event included an open discussion where industry and consumer representatives shared feedback and sought clarifications.

Guha: Experts not being consulted for twin tunnel road project is tragic

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Criticising the proposed tunnel road in Bengaluru, environmental historian Ramachandra Guha said it was one of the examples of politicians failing to consult scientists and experts when introducing new policies and projects.

He was speaking at the 10th edition of Nature inFocus festival in Bengaluru.

"In India today, there is a vast reservoir of scientific expertise available, if not to solve these many multifold environmental and social problems, at least to mitigate. Unlike when I started 40 years ago in this field, today India's universities and research institutes have ecologists, social scientists, agronomists, hydrologists, urban planners, transport and energy experts, conservation biologists, all of whose combined professional expertise match international standards... But these experts are never consulted," he said.

Mr. Guha further criticised that governments today - be it Central or State governments - are 'knowledge-proof.'

"Think of this extraordinary project that the Karnataka government is now conceiving... the tunnel road. The most important thing about that tunnel is that the leading energy and transport experts in the country are in our city, but they are not consulted. This is absolutely tragic," he said.

Historian Ramachandra Guha speaking at the Nature inFocus festival in Bengaluru on Saturday. ALLEN EGENUSE J.

According to Mr. Guha, Bengaluru was one of the biggest beneficiaries of economic liberalisation; however, he noted that the radical shift in economic policy also had a dark side, in terms of environmental degradation.

Terming Bengaluru "the showpiece of economic liberalisation", he said, "The IT-BT development in the city contributed to the sense of identity and social mobility. Innovation, entrepreneurship, increased foreign exchange reserve... Bengaluru in many ways is the best side of economic liberalisation. But the dark side is economic inequality and environmental degradation."

Guha also came down heavily on the Cheetah relocation project, terming it 'not only a disaster, but a colossal financial scandal'

Disastrous policies

Mr. Guha also came down heavily on the Cheetah relocation project, terming it "not only a disaster, but a colossal financial scandal." He questioned the logic of importing cheetahs when the same capital could have been utilised to protect the endangered asiatic lions that are native to the country.

Noting that the origins of environmental problems that India faces today, including air pollution, death of rivers, depletion of ground water and contamination of soil, did not lie in climate change, but are a resuly of faulty, short-sighted and badly conceived economic policies, he said when climate change exacerbates them the burden is borne disproportionately by the poor and vulnerable.

Timings
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SUNDAY, NOV. 16		
RISE	06:19	SET 17:50
RISE	03:02	SET 15:11
MONDAY, NOV. 17		
RISE	06:19	SET 17:50
RISE	03:48	SET 15:46
TUESDAY, NOV. 18		
RISE	06:19	SET 17:50
RISE	04:34	SET 16:23

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	30	21
Mysuru	29	18
Bengaluru	28	17

Bengaluru Today
29°C The weather will be dry. Day will be comfortable. Night will be slight cool.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
27°C Morning will be slight cool. Day will be comfortable. Night will be pleasant. Chances of light rain and thundershower.

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ADMISSION NOTICE FOR ACADEMIC SESSION JANUARY 2026

Applications are invited for admission to the **Post Basic Diploma in Cardiothoracic Nursing** and **Post Basic Diploma in Neuroscience Nursing of the Institute**.

Apply online. Please visit our website for more details (**www.sctimst.ac.in**).

Online registration will be available for Post Basic Diploma in Cardiothoracic Nursing and Post Basic Diploma in Neuroscience Nursing of the Institute from 17.11.2025 to 16.12.2025 (up to 5.00 pm)

Entrance examination will be held at SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram.

Reservation will be followed as per Govt. of India policy.
Payment of Application fee by **ONLINE ONLY**

For more details contact: Registrar, SCTIMST (E-mail: regoffice@sctimst.ac.in) Tel: 0471-2524269/289/649.

Sd/-, DIRECTOR

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Component 1: Pre Matric Scholarship for SC Students

ELIGIBILITY	SCOPE	ENTITLEMENT
Students belonging to **SC** category	Students studying in **class IX and X** in recognised schools	Academic allowance for Day Scholar-**Rs. 3500** and Hosteller-**Rs. 7000** per annum
Parents'/Guardians' annual income not exceeding **Rs 2.50 Lakh**	Applications are accepted and verified by the State Government/Union Territory	**10%** extra allowance for Divyang (specially abled) students
	Coverage of the poorest households	

Component 2: Pre Matric Scholarship for Children of parents/guardians engaged in unclean and hazardous occupation

ELIGIBILITY	SCOPE	ENTITLEMENT
Students whose parents/ guardians are engaged in unclean and hazardous occupation	Students studying in **classes I to X** in recognised schools	Academic allowance for Day Scholar-**Rs. 3500** and Hosteller-**Rs. 8000** per annum
No income limit criteria	Applications are accepted and verified by the State Government/ Union Territory	**10%** extra allowance for Divyang (specially abled) students
	Coverage of the poorest households	

Student should have a valid **Mobile Number, Aadhaar Number (UID), Aadhaar seeded Bank Account, Income Certificate, Previous Year Marksheet and Caste Certificate**

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Scan QR Code for Scheme Guidelines

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From Page One

Tech park scam: How fraudsters used ads and fear to loot U.S. victims

The fraudsters begin by running targeted Facebook advertisement campaigns aimed specifically at users in the U.S., embedding malicious code within what appear to be legitimate service links or security alerts.

When a user clicks on these ads, the code activates and causes the computer to freeze or lock, immediately triggering a fake warning pop-up claiming to be from 'Microsoft Global Technical Support' and displaying a bogus helpline number.

Once the victim calls the number, the scammers impersonate technical support staff and create panic by falsely asserting that the computer has been hacked, the IP address has been compromised, and sensitive banking and personal data are at imminent risk.

Exploiting this fear, they then demand money under the pretext of resolving supposed hacking issues and claim that the FTC is involved for violating norms. The impersonators claim that the money is for paying the security fixes, compliance procedures, or immediate risk mitigation. Through this fabricated narrative, they collect large sums from the victims.

Unravelling the scam

The scam was being run from a 4,500-sq ft office masquerading as a call centre on the sixth floor of the Delta building in Sigma Soft Tech Park. The CCU received specific intelligence and kept the company under watch for a brief period, which confirmed that it was operating a cybercrime racket.

A *suo motu* case was soon registered under relevant sections of the IT Act, and Mr. Mohanty formed a team led by Savitha Srinivas, Superintendent of Police, Special Cyber Cell.

The team conducted a raid from 9 p.m. on Friday until 11 a.m. on Saturday. "All the accused were hired for high salaries and were trained. We are ascertaining whether they all have an engineering background," a senior police officer said. "The company has been operating since August this year. All credentials are being verified," the officer added.

The team has seized all electronic devices in the office and is investigating several key aspects: who runs the company, where the employees were trained, who developed the malicious code, and the exact extent of the scam.

K-RIDE commissions electric traction on the Bellandur Road–Karmelaram stretch

The 25 kV AC traction was also commissioned for the loop lines at Huskur station under the Bengaluru division. K-RIDE says the electric traction is charged and operational from November 14

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Officials say the electrification and station improvements are components of the 48-km Baiyappanahalli–Hosur doubling project. FILE PHOTO

Rail Infrastructure Development Company (Karnataka) Ltd. (K-RIDE) has announced the introduction of 25 kV AC electric traction on the Bellandur Road-Karmelaram double-line corridor and the loop lines at Huskur station under the Bengaluru Division. The upgraded facility forms part of the Baiyappanahalli-Hosur line.

K-RIDE said the overhead electric traction is charged and operational from November 14 and cautioned commuters, motorists, and the public to adhere strictly to safety advisories issued for the electrified section.

Officials said the electrification and station improvements are components of the 48-km Baiyappanahalli-Hosur doubling project. As part of the expansion, a new halt station with four tracks has been developed at Huskur to support freight train movements. New station buildings have also been constructed at Karmelaram and Heelalige as part of the broader upgrade programme.

Although it will be dedicated to goods operations currently, according to officials, the new Huskur station is expected to benefit a large commuter base once passenger services begin.

Unlike the existing Heelalige station, which is nearly 10 km from Electronics City, Huskur lies just about 5 km away, potentially easing travel for thousands living and working in the Electronics City.

"Huskur station will be a huge advantage for those employed in Bommasandra and Veerasandra industrial zones and for tech workers commuting to Electronics City. The Railways must introduce more train services on this route," said Veena Jagadish, a resident of Electronics City.

Regular commuters on the Bengaluru-Hosur route have long raised concerns about limited services and inadequate amenities along the stretch.

Meanwhile, K-RIDE officials said that the Commissioner of Railway Safety (Southern Circle) will undertake a high-speed inspection of the newly electrified portion on November 16, during which trains are expected to run at speeds exceeding 120 kmph to assess the section's readiness.

Meanwhile, in the public notification, KRIDE has stated that the height gauges have been installed at all level crossings along the section, with a maximum permissible clearance of 4.78 metres for road vehicles. The live overhead wire, known as the contact wire, will run at a minimum height of 5.5 metres above the rail level. K-RIDE said the measure is intended to prevent vehicles carrying over-height loads from coming into contact with the electrified infrastructure, which poses a significant safety risk.

Electronics City residents list demands

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Commuters living in and around Electronics City have urged South Western Railway to improve facilities and train services at Heelalige Railway Station, which they say has remained underutilised despite its strategic location.

A resident said the station still lacks basic passenger amenities and has stoppages for only six pairs of passenger trains. "11 pairs of express trains bound for Tamil Nadu and Kerala pass through the station without halting, forcing hundreds of IT employees to travel three to four hours to KSR Bengaluru City or Hosur to board long-distance trains," he said.

Residents have highlighted the poor condition of access roads from Electronic City Phase II, citing damaged stretches, and lack of prepaid auto stand.

Home Minister G. Parameshwara and Forest Minister Eshwar B. Khandre paying their last respects to Saalumarada Thimmakka, in Bengaluru on Saturday. SUDHAKARA JAIN

Thimmakka laid to rest with state honours

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Environmentalist and Padma Shri recipient Saalumarada Thimmakka was laid to rest with full state honours at Kalagrama on the Jnana Bharathi campus here on Saturday.

The 114-year-old passed away in a private hospital on Friday owing to age-related ailments.

Thimmakka earned the prefix 'Saalumarada' after she and her husband planted 385 banyan trees all along the 4.5 km stretch between Hulikal and Kudur in Bengaluru South district.

Home Minister G Parameshwara, Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre and several MLAs were among those who were present at the burial of Thimmakka.

Mr. Khandre said that an award would be instituted in the name of Saalumarada Thimmakka. As a mark of tribute, 114 saplings would be planted and nurtured at 114 locations across Karnataka, symbolising each year of Thimmakka's life, the Minister said.

He recalled that the Forest Department had earlier honoured Thimmakka as an 'Environment Ambassador'.

Ekya Vana launched

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We should nurture the curiosity and love for nature in children, so that they become guardians of nature that our world needs., said Dr. A. N. Yellappa Reddy, IFS (Retd.) Former Secretary, Dept of Ecology, Environment and Forests.

He was speaking at the launch of Ekya Vana, a school focused on conservation and sustainability, in Bengaluru. It is part of CMR Group of Institutions.

Joining the launch, environmentalist Dr. K. Ullas Karanth said, "Conservation must move beyond slogans and become a way of life."

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ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮೈಸೂರು ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಗೆ ಒಳಪಡುವ **ಮೈಸೂರು, ಚಾಮರಾಜನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿನ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರಗಳ ದುರಸ್ಥಿ ಮತ್ತು ನವೀಕರಣ** ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲಾದ ಮೂರು/ನಾಲ್ಕನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಅರ್ಹ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. **50.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು**. ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ **ರೂ. 21.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.**

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆ ವೇಳಾಪಟ್ಟಿ ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ವಿವರಗಳು:–1) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ: **24.11.2025ರಂದು 16.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** (2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ (ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್): **25.11.2025 ರಂದು 16.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ**. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ವಿದ್ಯುನ್ಮಾನ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆ ವೇದಿಕೆ ಮೂಲಕ (Through KPPP) **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ದಿಂದ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

ಸೂಚನೆ: 1) ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವವರು ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡದೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯನ್ನು ಮುಂದೂಡುವ/ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣವಾಗಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ರದ್ದುಗೊಳಿಸುವ/ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನಿರಾಕರಿಸುವ ಹಕ್ಕನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. **2)** ಇನ್ನು ಮುಂದೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳು ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಬದಲಾಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯುನ್ಮಾನ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆ ವೇದಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತ್ರ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು
ಆಕುಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮೈಸೂರು.

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ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರು ಮುಂದೂಡಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಆಸಕ್ತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ 10.11.2025ರ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಪಿಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂಡಿ:ಯುಡಿಎನ್ ಎನ್.ಐ.ಟಿ.:23:2025–26:ಎಇ–2ರಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11.11.2025ರ ಉದಯವಾಣಿ, ವಿಜಯಕರ್ನಾಟಕ, ದಿ–ಹಿಂದೂ ದಿನಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 22.11.2025ರ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಇನ್ನುಳಿದಂತೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಸಹಿ/–, ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಉಡುಪಿ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಉಡುಪಿ

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E-Tender Advertisement

E-tender has been invited from eligible contractors who had been registered with the Labour Department for Providing of Security Services and Cleaning Services for the protection of the movable and immovable properties of all the specified buildings in the premises of Kannada University and its regional offices for a period of 12 months through E-Procurement website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from the date of issue of the work order. Last date for submission of tender: 14.12.2025

For further information, Please contact the Assistant Registrar, Maintains Department, Kannada University, Hampi, during office hours. Mobile Number 9449434214.

Date: 13.11.2025. Place: Vidyaranya

Sd/- Registrar, Kannada University Hampi.
DIPR/Vijayanagar/2025-26/KSMCA/RO No/339

NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION
District Health & F.W.Society Office,
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Ref:NHM/NPCB&VI/93.4&94.4/SPECTACLES/2025-26
Date:15/11/2025

ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

2025–26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಅಭಿಯಾನ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಅಂಧತ್ವ ನಿಯಂತ್ರಣಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಶಾಲಾಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಾಗೂ ವಯೋವೃದ್ಧರ ಕನ್ನಡಕಗಳ ಪೂರೈಕೆಗಾಗಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.77.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.1,54,000=00, ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು **ಪ್ರಾರಂಭದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15–11–2025** ಮತ್ತು ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು **ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 12–12–2025**ರ ಸಂಜೆ **5:30** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, ಮಾದರಿ ಕನ್ನಡಕಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11–12–2025** ಸಂಜೆ **5:30** ರೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಮೂಲಕ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: **/DHFWS/2024-25/IND1935 DT:15/11/2025** ಬಳಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ **ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಚೇರಿ, ಧಾರವಾಡ** ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಇ–ಮೇಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ **dhodharwad@gmail.com** ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು,
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಸೊಸೈಟಿ,
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Ref No.: RCU/Belagavi/RO/B.S./2025-26/4456 Date:15-11-2025

:Press Note:

-: Short Term Tender Notification :-

The Registrar, Rani Channamma University Belagavi invites 7 days short term tender for "Construction of main road, retaining wall and other works in the premises of RCU New campus at Hirebagewadi, Belagavi, Karnataka" (RCUB/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT13) on **15.11.2025, 5.30 PM**. Desired eligible Bidder may apply before **24.11.2025 by 5.30 PM** 2through **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** and the estimated amount for the tender work is **Rs. 8.50 Cr.** and EMD amount is **Rs. 12,75,000/-** and for further information kindly visit University website www.rcub.ac.in or the Engineering Division at University.

Sd/-
Registrar

THE MYSORE PAPER MILLS LIMITED
HRD DIVISION
BHADRAVATHI-577 302 KARNATAKA, E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

On line Tender in single cover system (Part-I Technical Bid) & Part-II (Financial Bid) are invited for following work from the eligible agencies as indicated in the pre-qualification norms of the tender document (Part-I) are eligible for the tender.

Tender No.: MPML/2025-26/SE0045 dated: 10.11.2025
Description: Providing Manpower, 01 No Mahendra Bolero jeep & 02 Nos Bike for security department at MPM Bhadravathi, Also providing Manpower at Corporate office Bangalore for 12 months (24x 7x365 days). EMD Rs 7.50 Lakhs**Last date & time for Bid submission:** 08.12.2025 17.00 HRS.

Tender documents may be seen and down loaded from 11.11.2025 at KPPP Portal Govt of karnataka The Tender has to be uploaded only thro' Karnataka e-procurement portal https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in for clarifications agency may contact mobile nos 8762828374 / 9844045594

sd/- Chief Finance Officer
DIPR/smg/ksmca/25-26/63/11/1239

BENGALURU SOUTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, HSR Layout Division,
9th Main, 14th Cross, Sector 6 HSR Layout Bengaluru- 560102

No: No: EE/BSCC/HSR/TEND/01/2025-26 Date:15.11.2025

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER

(Through KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) (Two Cover System)

The Executive Engineer, HSR Layout Division, Bengaluru South City Corporation. Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible contractors registered in Greater Bengaluru Authority (Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike) or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations for the constructions of work detailed in the table below.

Name of the Work : (1) Comprehensive Development of roads, Drains and other allied works in ward No.221 and 222 No.223 and 224 of HSR Sub Division

(G.O. Order No:UDD 474 MNY 2025 (E), Bengaluru, Dated: 03.11.2025,) GO[Annexure-5] Sl. No. 45&46),

Approx. value of work : **Rs. 1,000/- Lakhs,** EMD : **Rs. 10,00,000/-**

Calender of events : (1) Tender must be submitted online through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal on or before **16:00 hours on 06.12.2025** (2) Pre bid meeting will be held on **21.11.2025 at 15:00 hours** in the office of The Chief Engineer, Bommanahalli Zone (Zone-2), Begur Main Road, Near Ganesha Temple, Bengaluru-560068 (3) Technical Bids will be opened on the website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** the office of the Executive Engineer, HSR Layout Division on or after **8.12.2025 at 16:00 hours.**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, HSR Layout Division

PUBLIC NOTICE

We are undertaking an investigation of the title in relation to the land bearing Survey No. 34 measuring 01 Acre 35 Guntas, situated at Chikkaralagere Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District (more fully described in the '**Schedule**' hereto and hereinafter referred to as '**Schedule Property**'). The said title due diligence is being conducted for and on behalf of our Client who is desirous of entering into sale transaction in relation to the Schedule Property. **Ms. Mahima Rao Dommata and Ms. Meghna Rao Dommata** (both daughters of Mr. Narasimha Rao Dommata) ('**Owners**') have represented to our Client that they are the joint and absolute owners of the Schedule Property and have unrestricted rights of alienation over the same.

Notice is hereby given to the general public that any person/s other than the Owners, asserting any right, title, charge, lien, claim/s or any interest whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property are hereby called upon to submit to the undersigned, their claim/s, if any, over the Schedule Property or their objections, if any, to the aforementioned transaction. The said claim/s or objections must be in writing, together with documentary proof of such claim/s or objections, so as to reach us at the address given below within a period of **10 (ten)** days from the date of publication of this Notice. If no such claim/s or objections are received within the aforementioned time period, it shall be deemed that no one else other than the Owners has/ have any right, title, interest or claim/s in respect of the Schedule Property and our Client would be at liberty to proceed with the said transaction in connection with the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE
(Description of the Schedule Property)

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing **Survey No. 34 measuring 01 Acre 35 Guntas,** situated at **Chikkaralagere Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District**. The said property is bounded as follows:

On the East by : Land bearing Survey No. 33/2;
On the West by : Land bearing Survey No. 36/2;
On the North by : Land bearing Survey No. 35/2; and
On the South by : Kaluve.

Sd/-
Mr. Srinivas B.R., Partner
DSK Legal,
Prestige Loka, No. 201, 2nd Floor,
No. 7/1 & 7/7, Brunton Road, Craig Park Layout,
Bengaluru – 560025, Tel: 080-69548770.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 16.11.2025

City Municipal Council, Ramanagara
Bengaluru South District- 562159
Phone: 080-27271286 e-mail: itstaff_ulb_ramanagaram@yahoo.com

No. CMC/HS/AEE(EE)/MRF/SBM/MF/29/2023-24 Date: 15.11.2025

Tender Modification Notification Call- 2

Paper notification had been given for following tender under 2023-24 SBM-2.0 through e-procurement. But due to technical reason tender had not published in E-procurement portal. So Tender date modification notification is again given to facilitate participation of technically qualified suppliers. Last date for participation is **01.12.2025 at 4:30 PM**. Additional information is available at E-procurement web site.

Particulars : Procurement of Horizontal baler-75 MT Capacity at MRF plant for dry waste treatment DMA/2023-24/IND1752/Call-2. Estimate Amount (Rs. in lakhs)**: 57.69.** EMD Amount Rs.: **1,15,380/-.**

Sd/-
President
CMC, Ramanagara

Sd/-
Municipal Commissioner
CMC, Ramanagara

DIPR/BSD/447/SA/2025-26

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No:EE/PRED/CTA/TEND/2025-26/1978 **Date: 04.11.2025**

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement Portal only)

Executive Engineer, Pachayath Raj Engineering Division, chitradurga has invites works tender under Standard tender document under 5054-grant for 1 work Improvements of Road & Brdiges from Hirehalli to Gowrasamudra road Chinage from 5.20km to 8.00km in Challakere Taluk, Chitradurga District (Indent No:18120) for Rs:200.00 Lakhs. Further information obtained from the office during the office hours or any quarries contact (support@eprochelpdesk.com) or KPPP Helpdesk Phone No: tel: 09240214000, or 09240214000 this office Telephone no. 08194-222372 at office of the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Chitradurga as dates below:-

(1) Date of Pre Bid meeting: 15.11.2025 Time 11:00. (2) Last Date for information any quarries: 26.11.2025 Time 11:00. (3) Last Date for Submitting the tender: 27.11.2025 Time 16:00. (4) Last Date of Opening the Technical Bid: 28.11.2025 Time 16:01. (5) Last Date of Opening the Financial Bid: 27.11.2025 Time 16:02.

Further any quarries for tender contact (support@eprochelpdesk.com) or KPPP Helpdesk Phone No: tel:09240214000, or 09240214000 or Phone no.08194-222372 or Executive Engineer, P.R.E.Division, Chitradurga in office hours.

RO No. 478: DIPR/CTA/KSMCA/2025-26 **Sd/- Executive Engineer**

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City corporations race against time to meet SC directives

However, several shortcomings remain, especially regarding the 'area designation' required for sheltering dogs, which could potentially have a negative impact; to implement the top court's measures, the corporations have just seven more weeks

STRAY DOG ISSUE

Chetan B.C.
BENGALURU

The apex court issued a slew of directives, including stocking anti-rabies vaccines in hospitals and raising awareness about bite-prevention measures and post-bite protocols. FILE PHOTO

Bengaluru's five new corporations are racing against time to plug gaps in stray dog management and comply with the directives issued by the Supreme Court on November 7. However, several shortcomings remain, especially regarding the 'area designation' required for sheltering dogs.

The apex court issued a slew of directives, including stocking anti-rabies vaccines in hospitals and raising awareness about bite-prevention measures and post-bite protocols. A major directive concerns strays taking shelter in institutions such as schools, colleges, hospitals, and private companies, which must now be removed and relocated to shelters designated by municipalities.

To implement all these measures, the corporations have just seven more weeks.

Land identification

K.N. Ramesh, Commissioner of the South City Corporation, told *The Hindu* that they are searching for open spaces to establish new shelters. North City Commissioner Pommala Sunil Kumar has issued similar instructions to his officials. Other commissioners are also looking for space, according to reliable sources.

However, land designation for this purpose is a major concern in cities like Bengaluru, as flagged by activists and corporation officials who spoke to *The Hindu* anonymously. Even before the Supreme Court's directions, city corporations had been searching for land parcels to establish ABC centres, but had failed repeatedly.

A Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) official noted that in the absence of free space, they would be forced to invest more in renting or other alternatives, which would strain the finances of the new corporations .

Meanwhile, all corporations held a series of meetings with the health, transport, and education departments to gather data on stray dogs within their jurisdictions.

"All institutions have been issued circulars to enumerate stray dogs. Subsequently, we will begin developing infrastructure, capturing, and relocating stray dogs after the neutering and vaccination processes," Mr. Ramesh said.

Against rules

However, activists believe the relocation process violates existing laws and the directive stems from a shallow understanding of the issue. Arun Prasad, an animal rights activist, said the Supreme Court order conflicts with the Animal Birth Control (ABC) Rules, which bar shifting stray dogs from one place to another.

"The directives must be repealed because they go against the law of the land. Moreover, who will monitor whether corporations are following all the rules during the relocation process, as the Supreme Court has not clarified that?" Mr. Prasad asked.

Mr. Prasad's concern arises from past instances of how the erstwhile Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) handled neutered dogs.

The major issue was that vendors picked up dogs from one location and released them in another after ABC procedures, flouting the rules. In the present situation, in the absence of proper infrastructure to keep dogs in captivity, vendors could intentionally relocate them to different streets instead of designated shelters.

"The move could be a major setback to the government's vision of making the country rabies-free by 2030. The possibility of bites increases when dogs are shifted to different places because of heightened aggression," he added.

If dogs are relocated to different streets, the numbers will rise in certain areas, creating food scarcity and thereby increasing bite incidents, activists pointed out.

Illogical approach

Rashmi D'Souza, who runs a private school in South Bengaluru, said that the ruling to remove dogs from institutions is illogical.

"In my school, we have 15 dogs, and we have never seen a single bite incident. We have created a pond for them to drink water, we feed them, and we have vaccinated them," Ms. Rashmi told *The Hindu*.

"In fact, having dogs on our campus has helped raise awareness among students about how to deal with dogs," she added.

According to Rashmi, the Supreme Court should have consulted institutions to determine whether they wanted the dogs removed.

Meanwhile, corporations have instructed all educational institutions in the city to appoint a nodal officer who will ensure no dog enters the premises henceforth. If dogs are found inside, the nodal officer will be held accountable.

State amends KPME Act to mandate emergency care for dog-bite victims

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka government has amended the Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (KPME) Act, 2007, to strengthen legal provisions ensuring timely and lifesaving treatment for dog, animal, and snake bite victims.

The amendment follows the Supreme Court's November 7, 2025, directions in a *suo motu* writ petition seeking uniform access to Anti-Rabies Vaccine (ARV), immunoglobulin and emergency care across all hospitals.

Invoking its powers under Section 11B of the KPME Act, the State has inserted a new clause–(iia)–into the Patients' Charter under the Schedule of the Act.

The newly inserted clause mandates that every private medical establishment must administer necessary first aid and provide lifesaving or stabilising emergency measures to all snake-bite or dog/animal bite victims without insisting on advance payment.

The provision also makes such hospitals eligible for reimbursement from the State government through the District Registration and Grievance Authority, at rates admissible under the Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust (SAST) scheme.

Anti-rabies vaccine

The amendment comes as part of a broader set of directions issued by the Health Department to ensure uninterrupted access to Anti-Rabies Vaccines (ARV), rabies immunoglobulin, and Anti-Snake Venom (ASV) in both public and private hospitals. The Supreme Court had earlier directed that "all government and private hospitals should maintain a mandatory stock of Anti-Rabies Vaccines and Immunoglobulin at all times".

Notifiable disease

Rabies has been declared a notifiable disease in Karnataka, making timely reporting and treatment mandatory. The State reiterated its commitment to the national and global target of achieving "Zero Human Deaths due to Dog-Mediated Rabies by 2030," stressing the need for standardised care irrespective of the health facility approached by the victim.

The government noted that snake-bite deaths and complications remain a significant public health concern, requiring similar assured emergency care.

Directions

The key directions issued to all medical establishments include continuous mandatory stock (hospitals must maintain sufficient ARV, rabies immunoglobulin and ASV at all times); immediate care without advance payment (private hospitals must provide first aid and lifesaving emergency interventions to bite victims without demanding advance payment, in line with the amended Patients' Charter and Section 11(1) of the KPME Act).

Besides, free initial screening and first aid should also be provided. Under the Karnataka Good Samaritan and Medical Professional Act, 2016, all hospitals must provide free screening, first aid, and essential stabilising treatment. Those lacking adequate facilities must stabilise the patient before referring them to the nearest suitable facility.

Medical negligence

The government further cautioned that failure to comply with these obligations - particularly in cases leading to death - would constitute medical negligence. Criminal action may be initiated under Section 106 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Samhita, 2023, which provides for imprisonment up to two years. In cases of serious or repeated violations, authorities may also revoke the licence of the medical establishment.

Mangaluru incident: Autopsy report says man was bitten by many dogs

The Hindu Bureau
MANGALURU

The post-mortem of Dayananda Gatti, 60, who was found dead at Kumpala on the outskirts of Mangaluru on Friday, has reportedly revealed that he was bitten by multiple dogs, apart from the dog that was caught by the civic personnel.

The body of Mr. Gatti was found in a pool of blood inside the compound of a house. A team of forensic experts found his left eyeball lying on the ground. Initially suspected to be a murder, the police, based on the opinion of forensic experts after preliminary examination, said the death was due to dog bite.

During the post-mortem on Saturday, dog bites were found on the left side of the head, on his hands, thigh, and foot. Official sources said the bite marks appeared to be from different dogs.

The victim might have fallen on a dog which initially bit his face. Other dogs might have bitten him on other parts of the body. After being bitten, Mr. Gatti struggled to cross the road to enter the compound of a house, where he died.

Following information from local people, civic personnel caught the dog that was found moving in the locality with blood marks on its face. The dog was handed over to Animal Care Trust and it died on Friday night. Officials said samples of the dead dog has been sent to test it for rabies.

Expressing concern over the incident, MLC Ivan D'Souza said that the State government should release compensation to the family members of the deceased.

Deputy Director of Animal Husbandry N. Arun Kumar Shetty said the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department has issued a circular for paying compensation of ₹5,000 for a dog bite and and ₹5 lakh for death resulting from dog bite.

Stories through cartoons

Sketching life: K. Venugopal (left), chairman, Kasturi & Sons Ltd. at an exhibition of cartoons of *The Hindu businessline* cartoonist Ravikant Nandula at the Indian Cartoon Gallery in Bengaluru on Saturday. K. MURALI KUMAR

Hennur police arrest habitual offender involved in carjack

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Hennur police have arrested a 38-year-old habitual offender for allegedly robbing a cab driver of his valuables and taxi in Hegde Nagar on Thursday.

The police tracked down the accused identified as Mansoor Dhoon, a resident of Queens Road, on Saturday.

According to the police, the accused had hired a cab from Mysuru suburban bus stand and offered to pay ₹3,000 to the driver Pradeep V.K.

After reaching Shivaji Nagar, the accused told him to take the cab to Hedge Nagar as he had to get the money from his sister to pay him.

After reaching the isolated place in Telecom layout in Hegde Nagar around 11 p.m., the accused allegedly assaulted Pradeep with a knife, snatched his mobile phone, ₹3,000 cash and sped away in a car.

The victim with the help of passersby reported the incident and got admitted to a hospital for treatment.

Based on the complaint, the police tracked down the accused. The accused is a habitual offender and involved in peddling drugs, said the police.

No more just a 'gentleman's game' as more girls take to cricket grounds

Rishita Khanna
BENGALURU

ACING IT: Women cricketers practising at the Karnataka Institute of Cricket in Bengaluru. Coaches note that when girls are given proper training, access to quality facilities, and opportunities to practise alongside peers, they excel at the sport. ALLEN EGENUSE J.

The recent exhilarating World Cup victory of the Indian women's cricket team is expected to be a shot in the arm for women's sports in general, and cricket in particular. But a growing number of girls in Bengaluru have been taking up cricket, with academies in the city reporting a nearly 50% increase in women's participation over the past three years, driven by the visibility of the Women's Premier League (WPL), equal match fees, and greater viewership of women's cricket internationally, among other factors.

Coaches note that while cricket is still widely perceived as a "men's game," when girls are given proper training, access to quality facilities, and opportunities to practise alongside peers, they excel at the sport. However, they also point out that most of these players have transitioned from other sports such as basketball, hockey, and badminton, highlighting that at the school or base level, cricket still lacks structured female teams and remains largely male-dominated.

Soumya Verma, 21, who joined cricket two years ago, was a former football and hockey player. She says her school never had a girls' cricket team.

"I used to play football for inter-school tournaments, and one day, when the cricket team needed an extra player, I filled in for someone else. That's when one of the coaches noticed me and said I had a natural hand-eye coordination fit for cricket".

Ms. Verma noted that while facilities for women have improved greatly, a few differences remain. "The quality of nets, the kind of equipment we get, or sometimes the space we are allotted, is still not fully at par. But the change in mindset is visible," she added.

Parents backing up

Apart from infrastructure and remuneration, parents' attitudes, too, are changing. Mahendra Bohra, whose 15-year-old daughter first joined cricket during a summer camp and then joined Karnataka Institute of Cricket (KIOC), said he no longer worries if studies take a backseat.

"She enjoys cricket more than studying. I just admire the way she bowls now," he said, adding that his daughter began dreaming of playing professionally after watching Indian team vice-captain Smriti Mandhana, and that her dedication has, in turn changed his own perspective.

"Earlier, we used to think only boys could make a career out of sports. Now, when I see her talk about matches and plan her practice, I feel parents like us also need to be equally interested. It makes children believe this path is possible".

Another example is 19-year-old Ananya Santosh who is balancing her studies and practices. Until last year, she travelled nearly three hours a day from her home in Electronics City to her cricket academy located near Ulsoor, returning late but refusing to skip practice.

Seeing her commitment, her family last year shifted to Seshadripuram so she could focus better on training and studies.

"I have seen a sea of change over the years," says Irfan Sait, head coach and managing director of the KIOC.

"Earlier, parents were hesitant to let their daughters take up cricket, and girls themselves came with a lot of doubt. Today, they come prepared and determined to make a career out of it. Parents follow their progress, ask about their fitness, and take pride in every small achievement," he said.

However, the approach, many coaches admit, varies when it comes to training girls.

"When we coach a 19-year-old girl, we often evaluate her against the standard of a 16-year-old boy. We cannot expect a girl to match the physical maturity of a 19-year-old boy. By setting the benchmark slightly below, they hold their own, gain confidence, and respond well to rigorous training," one of the coaches said.

Posting politicians as heads of govt.-run firms detrimental to public interest: HC

It says the government must appoint only qualified persons with sound domain knowledge and professional excellence

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

In a message against appointing politicians as chairpersons of government-run enterprises, the High Court of Karnataka has said that "appointing a politician would always result in compounding the miseries of the government company/public sector undertaking, its workmen and would result in detriment to the public interest".

"The State government must appoint only qualified person having sound domain knowledge and professional excellence for the post of chairperson of any government company or public sector undertakings," the court said.

A file photo of the State-owned Mysore Sugar Company in Mandya.

'Bad decision'

The decision of the government to appoint Nagarajappa, who had no professional qualifications and domain knowledge, as the chairman of State-owned Mysore Sugar Company (Mysugar), once one of the biggest sugar factories in Asia, "for political reasons was a bad decision which has resulted in whopping further losses to an extent of ₹127 crore during his tenure," the court observed.

A Division Bench, comprising Justice D.K. Singh and Justice Venkatesh Naik T., made these observations while dismissing a petition filed in 2024 by 80-year-old Mr. Nagarajappa, who had questioned the State government's 2014 order of asking the Upalokayukta to conduct an enquiry against him in relation to alleged illegalities, occurred during his tenure as chairman, causing a huge loss to the company.

Background of case

The government had ordered the inquiry under Section 7(2-A) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act against the petitioner acting on a complaint filed in 2012 by the then MLA M. Srinivas on alleged misfeasance, procurement irregularities, violation of the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement (KTPP) Act, and financial decisions that allegedly caused losses of ₹127 crore to Mysugar during the tenure of Mr. Nagarajappa between October 2008 and December 2012.

The Bench pointed out that the Upalokayukta, who investigated each of the total 12 allegations, relying on audit reports, tender records, and company documents, found several accusations *prima facie* proved, including violations of tendering procedures, misuse of authority in procurement of machinery, irregularities in liquor unit operations, and permitting sale of sugar without receiving payment.

The other allegations, such as forced resignations of some employees and officers of the company, demurrage payments, and alcohol sales through intermediaries, could not be established during the inquiry, the Bench noted.

Rejecting the petitioner's claim that he was not a "public servant" and that the decisions were taken collectively by the Board of Directors of Mysugar, the Bench said that the chairman of a government-run company was a "public servant" under Section 2(12) of the Act, and that the government's reference to the Upalokayukta for an inquiry was valid in law.

Noticing that the report of the Upalokayukta was only a recommendation to initiate appropriate proceedings for recovery of the losses caused by the petitioner, the Bench said, "We do not find that there is any error committed by the Upalokayukta in the report. The recommendations for taking appropriate action for recovery of the losses caused for the decisions taken by the petitioner as chairman of the company is left to the government, and the government should act upon the recommendations."

Siddaramaiah meets Rahul Gandhi, discusses Cabinet reshuffle

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday met Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi in New Delhi and reportedly discussed his proposal on the State Cabinet reshuffle.

According to sources in the Congress, Mr. Siddaramaiah, accompanied by Energy Minister K.J. George, held a 30-minute discussion with Mr. Gandhi at former AICC chief Sonia Gandhi's residence.

Mr. Gandhi reportedly told the Chief Minister to discuss the proposal on the Cabinet reshuffle with AICC chief Mallikarjun Kharge.

Mr. Siddaramaiah is expected to meet Mr. Kharge in Delhi on Monday. However, when asked by reporters, the Chief Minister said that everything was "speculation in media".

Sources in the party said Mr. Gandhi met Mr Siddaramaiah along with Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and discussed the party's dismal performance in Bihar. Mr. Gandhi reportedly told both the Chief Ministers to ensure better administration in their respective States to retain power after the end of the present term.

He also told the to step up campaign against "vote theft" against the Election Commission.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge at the release of the 100th edition of Rajya Sabha member Kapil Sibal's online show 'Dil Se With Kapil Sibal', in New Delhi on Saturday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Dy. CM also in Delhi

Meanwhile, Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, who is seeking the Chief Minister's post, also landed in the national capital on Saturday and is expected to meet Mr. Gandhi and other senior leaders of the party later.

When asked about Cabinet reshuffle, Mr. Shivakumar said, "I will not speak to the media on the issue. I will speak to high command when asked."

While there has been intense speculation in Karnataka on the possible change of leadership, the abysmal electoral performance of the party in the Bihar Assembly elections has put a question mark on such possibilities.

On Saturday, Mr. Siddaramaiah and Mr. Shivakumar attended the release of the 100th episode of the online show 'Dil Se With Kapil Sibal' in New Delhi.

Efforts at 'Sanatanisation' needs to be resisted: Seer

The Hindu Bureau
BELAGAVI

There have been efforts to impose a Sanatan heritage on folk history and culture and people need to resist such attempts at "Sanatanisation" of our native cultures, Sharat Chandra Swami of Kunduru Math in Vijayapura has said. He was speaking at the release of compendia of the complete works of the late M.M. Kalburgi, scholar, at the Fa. Gu. Halkatti Research Centre in Vijayapura on Saturday.

Minister M.B. Patil, writer Siddalinga Pattanshetti and others at the release of compendia of the complete works of scholar M.M. Kalburgi in Vijayapura on Saturday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

"We should never forget that India is a land of multi-faith groups, multiple cultures, languages and regions. But there are some vested interests who are trying to deny this fact and trying to claim that only one thought process is right and the rest are not. I call this an attempt at 'Sanatanisation.' Such efforts should be resisted in an academic manner," he said, adding that there was a need to identify such trends. "We need protect and preserve the schools of thought that remain brave in the face of intimidation."

The seer described Kalburgi as a fearless crusader and a dynamic researcher who studied history and picked lessons for today. "India is a country that had a rich legacy of conversations," he said, regretting the loss of this culture.

Mahantesh Biradar, secretary of the research centre, demanded swift justice in the case of the killing of Kalburgi in 2015 in Dharwad.

"The investigation into the killing should not stop at those involved in the offence; it should identify those who are behind the conspiracy of brainwashing young people and provoking them into doing such things," he said.

Siddalinga Pattanshetti, writer and a close associate of Kalburgi, recalled the methodology of the late scholar. "Some vested interests tried to erase him from our memories, but they failed," he said.

M.B. Patil, Minister and BLDE chairman, said BLDE would bring out an international edition of an introductory volume about the life and contribution of Basavanna.

ED files prosecution complaint against Karwar MLA Sail in ₹44-cr. iron ore export scam

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Bengaluru Zonal Office, on Saturday filed a prosecution complaint before the Special Court for Prevention of Money Laundering Act cases against Mallikarjun Shipping Pvt. Ltd. and its managing director Satish Krishna Sail, who is also Karwar MLA, in connection with the illegal export of seized iron ore, causing a loss of ₹44.09 crore to the State exchequer.

According to ED officials, Mr. Sail entered into a criminal conspiracy with several accused persons to illegally purchase iron ore that had been seized and stockpiled at Belekeri port, in violation of the High Court of Karnataka orders and the Forest Department seizure directives.

The ore, originally belonging to multiple mining and trading companies,

ED officials said Satish Krishna Sail, Karwar MLA, entered into a criminal conspiracy to illegally purchase iron ore. FILE PHOTO

was exported to buyers in China with the alleged connivance of Mahesh J. Biliye, Port Conservator at Belekeri.

Investigators found that Mr. Sail made payments amounting to ₹46.18 crore to the other accused towards these illegal purchases. The seized ore was exported through an undisclosed foreign entity identified as JI (Hebei) Iron and Steel Investment Co. Ltd., Hong Kong (formerly Mallikarjun Shipping HK Ltd.), instead of being shipped directly to Chinese buyers, a move ED claims was intended to conceal and launder the proceeds of crime.

The ED claimed that the company generated ₹27.07 crore in proceeds of crime, while Mr. Sail personally derived ₹2.09 crore through the Hong Kong-based entity. He also allegedly maintained several foreign bank accounts in Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) and the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC), Hong Kong.

Earlier seizures

Earlier searches by ED led to the seizure of ₹1.68 crore in cash, 6.75 kg of gold and bullion worth around ₹6.58 crore, and the freezing of bank accounts collectively holding ₹14.13 crore. Three immovable properties worth ₹21 crore were also provisionally attached.

Govt. ignoring distress in Tungabhadra command area: BJP

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Accusing the State government of neglecting the agrarian crisis in North Karnataka, BJP State president B.Y. Vijayendra on Friday said the Congress administration had failed to address the urgent concerns of farmers dependent on the Tungabhadra command area.

Addressing presspersons at the party's State office here, he said the BJP would launch a series of district- and taluk-level protests demanding immediate measures to support maize growers and farmers awaiting water release for the second crop.

Mr. Vijayendra said the party would press the government to open procurement centres without delay. He reiterated that if water could not be released for the second crop, the government should provide compensation of ₹25,000 per acre to all affected farmers.

Recalling the long-pending installation of 32 new crest gates for the Tungabhadra dam, he said the work had not progressed despite earlier assurances by Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar that Karnataka would take up the project independently. He also sought urgent funds for repairs of the left and right bank canals.

The BJP had decided to finalise its agitation plans by November 26, and the party's raitha morcha president A.S. Patil Nadahalli would tour the affected districts to draw up the schedule, he said.

18 medical establishments fined ₹4 lakh

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bengaluru Urban district administration has imposed fines amounting to ₹4 lakh on 18 private medical establishments for violating provisions of the Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (KPME) Act. The order was issued by Deputy Commissioner J. Jagadish following a review meeting of the KPME Registration and Grievance Authority.

A total of 57 cases related to KPME violations were examined during the meeting. The Deputy Commissioner directed that fines be levied on errant hospitals and clinics, and instructed officials to register FIRs against Publix Health Care in Madanayakanahalli and NDR Hospital in Yelahanka for serious violations.

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**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER,
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BARIPADA**

Office Order No.5216/ Dt.14.11.2025//

2nd Corrigendum to National Competitive Bidding e_procurement Notice No.4738/Road work Dt.15.10.2025 (NCB No.-394)

Due to unavoidable circumstances the important dates of tendering process for road works are being changed as follows.

Sl No.	Item	Time Schedule as per Original NCB	Time Schedule as per Corrigendum Notice
1	Availability of Tender On-line for bidding	15.11.2025 at 11.00 AM to 04.12.2025 up to 5.00 PM	**06.12.2025 at 11.00 AM to 23.12.2025 up to 5.00 PM**
2	Date and Time of Seeking Tender Clarification if any	03.12.2025 up to 5.00 PM	**22.12.2025 up to 05.00 PM**
3	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bid	05.12.2025 at 11.00 AM	**24.12.2025 at 11.00 AM**
4	Date & Time of opening of Financial Bid	Will be intimated later	**Will be intimated later**

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

O-1484: Sd/- Er. A.K.Naik, **Chief Construction Engineer, RW Circle, Baripada.**

CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, KOPPAL.

No:CMC/Amruth2.0/ 2025.26 Date: 13-11-2025

Tender Notification

Koppal City under Commissioner CMC koppal state Governor behalf of Transparency public storage act 2000 and KW-4, rule, works Karnataka state government e-procurement portal in https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in PWD Registers Contractor to Tender invite. Tender form Rate and EMD cost Specified in e-procurement portal

AMRUTH 2.0 Grant: Name of Work: DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT49856/CALL-2 **Estimate Cost (In lakh):** 92.97. **EMD Cost (in Rs):** 200000.00 **Class of Eligibal Contractor:** Class-1 & Above

Conditions: 1.Period of tender document download in govt e-procurement on-line apply last date.**20-11-2025** evening 4.30 PM 2.Technical bid open date **22-11-2025** Evening 4:30 PM 3.Financial bid open date: **24-11-2025** Evening 4:30 PM or bid open date after published 4.Similar Nature of work done Submitted as Per KW-4 Releted Works 5.Tender Conditions and rules office hours technical dept or (https://www.koppalcity.mrc.gov.in) downlod the information in website 6.work complition period 6 months (Including Rainig Season) 7.Tender rejecteing autority CMC Office 8.For More information contact to state govt e-procurement portal website(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Sd/- Municipal Commissioner
CMC Koppal

DIPR/Koppal/458/KSMCA/2025-26

TELANGANA STATE INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN: U99000TG2014SGC095514
REGISTERED OFFICE: 6TH FLOOR, PARISHRAMA BHAVAN, BASHEERBAGH, HYDERABAD - 500004
Email: co-secretary-iic@telangana.gov.in , Website: www.tgiic.telangana.gov.in

EXTRACT OF STANDALONE AND CONSOLIDATED AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2025

(Rs. In Lakhs)

PARTICULARS	Year ended 31.03.2025	Year ended 31.03.2024
	Audited	Audited
Total Income from Operations	71,449.08	50,086.38
Profit before tax (PBT)	-5,557.07	10,776.54
Profit after tax (PAT)	-5,557.07	7,962.09
Total Comprehensive Income	-2,926.25	10,288.47
Paid-up equity share capital (Face value of 1000/-each)	1.00	1.00
Total Reserves as at year ended March 31	76,500.09	77,571.93
Debt Equity Ratio	14.28	0.85
Earning per Share		
Basic (in Rs.)	5,557,070.00	7,962,090.00
Diluted (in Rs.)	-8,153.82	11,682.67
Capital Redemption Reserve	NA	NA
Debenture Redemption Reserve	NA	NA
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	0.83	0.61
Interest Service Coverage Ratio	0.83	3.05

Note

1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of annual financial results filed with the Stock Exchange under regulation 52 of the listing Regulations. The full format of the annual financial results is available on the websites of the Stock Exchange(s) (**www.nseindia.com**, **www.bseindia.com**) and the Company's **website www.tgiic.telangana.gov.in**

2. The above financial results were reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 11th November 2025.

For and on behalf of the Board
K. Shashanka
Vice Chairman & Managing Director
DIN: 07900230

Place: Hyderabad
Date : 11th November, 2025

DIPR R.O.No.851-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2025-26 Dt:15.11.2025

OBITUARY & REMEMBRANCE

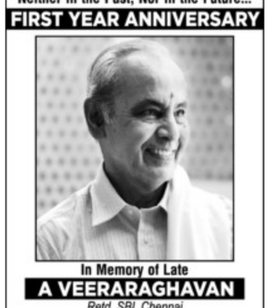
DEATH

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
CLEMENT MOSES
07.11.1939 - 15.11.2025
Beloved father, husband and grandfather who served with a faithful heart. His legacy is the light of Christ in many hearts
Funeral Service 16th Nov, 2025, 10:30 am, CSI St Thomas English Church, Santhome High Road, Mylapore, Chennai - 04
Memorial Service 17th Nov, 2025, 6:30 PM, CSI St Thomas English Church
Contact: +91 9962078302

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

न भूतो न भविष्यति
"Na bhuto na bhavishyati"
Neither in the Past; Nor in the Future...
FIRST YEAR ANNIVERSARY



In Memory of Late
A VEERARAGHAVAN
Retd. SBI, Chennai
DOB: 24.04.1943 DOD: 16.11.2024
Fondly remembered by:
JANAKI RAGHAVAN, RAM PRASAD & LAXMAN PRASAD

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

5th DEATH ANNIVERSARY

P. SRILAKSHAMMA
D.O.D: 16.11.2020
My Mother last word:
The Saddest Thing About Betrayal is That it never Comes from your enemies.
We miss you every moment in our life, your presence continues to surround us, in our hearts, you are always there.
Inserted by: P.Janarthana Reddy, Pavana Kumari, R. Sureshkumar Reddy, S.Krishnakumari & Grandchildren

Padmashri Dr N P Seshadri
2.1.1929 to 16.11.2009
16th Anniversary
Distinguished Scholar, Musicologist, Administrator and Founder National Cultural Organisation.
Homage by
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POCSO case: ex-BJP leader sentenced to life in Kerala

The Hindu Bureau
KANNUR

The Thalassery Protection of Children Sexual Offences (POCSO) Special Court has sentenced former BJP leader and teacher K. Padmarajan to life imprisonment and fined him ₹2 lakh for sexually assaulting a Class 4 student in Panoor in Kerala. He was sentenced to 40 years in total – 20 years for each of two POCSO offences – with both terms to run concurrently. His bail was revoked and he was shifted to Thalassery sub-jail.

Judge M.T. Jalaja Raini of the special POCSO court delivered the verdict on Saturday after finding Mr. Padmarajan guilty of offences under rape and POCSO charges. The incident took place in January 2020, when Padmarajan was working as a teacher and serving as the president of the Thrippangottur panchayat. He sexually assaulted the student three times. The defence argued that the accused was not at the school during the period in question and challenged the child's statement, but the court dismissed these claims, finding the child's testimony credible.

The prosecution examined 40 witnesses and presented 77 documents and 14 exhibits, while the defence presented three witnesses. The case began with a complaint from the girl's mother, leading to the Panoor police registering a case against Padmarajan on March 17, 2020.

Kerala parties likely to move separate pleas in SC over SIR

They plan to argue their shared case that the Election Commission's fast-tracking of the exercise in the State ahead of the local body polls was impractical and burdensome on voters and officials

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The Communist Party of India (Marxist) [CPI(M)], Congress, and the Left Democratic Front government will each separately approach the Supreme Court to argue their shared case that the Election Commission of India's (EC) fast-tracking of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the voters' list in Kerala was impractical and burdensome on voters and officials, before the local body elections on December 9 and 11.

The independent suits would also press their demand to defer the SIR process till after the polls.

People clearing their doubts regarding the Special Intensive Revision at a camp organised in Malappuram. SAKEER HUSSAIN

CPI(M) State secretary M.V. Govindan, who attended the third round of all-party talks on the SIR issue on Saturday, said the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) had agreed in principle that expediting the SIR during the election season was unfeasible.

However, he stated that the BJP had underscored that it would not participate in the multi-party effort to seek legal recourse against the EC decision in the Supreme Court.

Mr. Govindan said the government had moved the High Court for deferring the SIR till the conclusion of the local body polls. However, the court upheld the EC's submission that the Supreme Court was the constitutional forum to arbitrate on SIR.

No change in SIR schedule for Kerala: CEO

Chief Electoral Officer Rathan U. Kelkar on Saturday said that the schedule announced by the EC for the SIR of electoral rolls will remain unchanged in Kerala.

Probe intensified into ex-TTD assistant vigilance officer's death

The Hindu Bureau
ANANTAPUR

Police intensified probe into the death of former Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) Assistant Vigilance and Security Officer (AVSO) Y. Satish Kumar, who was found dead on railway tracks between Komali and Juturu railway stations near Tadipatri, on Friday.

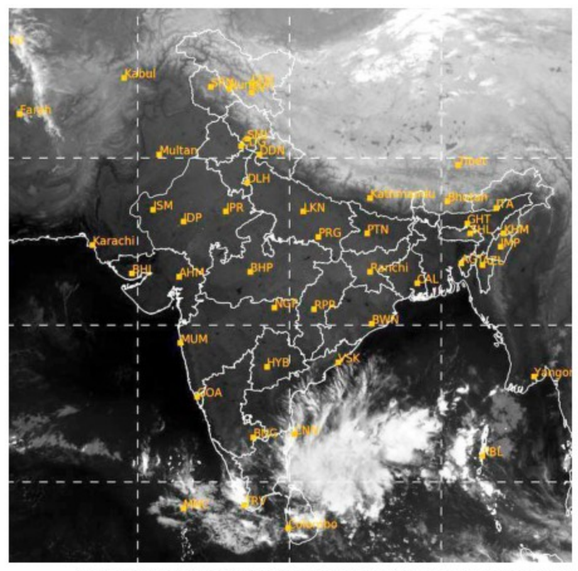
CID chief Ravishankar Ayyanar rushed to Anantapur and took stock of the progress of investigation in the case with Railway and local police, forensic experts and doctors who performed the post-mortem on Satish Kumar's body.

Mr. Ravishankar visited the spot where Satish Kumar's body was found and enquired with the Railway police about the distance from Guntakal railway station to Komali village, where the body was found, the time at which the deceased boarded the time, and other details.

The CID chief also enquired the nature of injuries on Satish Kumar's body and later held discussions with the doctors who performed autopsy on the body for nearly two hours. Meanwhile, as part of reconstruction of crime scene, the police used a mannequin and threw it from the door of Chennai Egmore train at the same spot. The same was recorded through drones, sources said.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.15 HRS)

Forecast for Sunday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Kerala. Thunderstorm with lightning/gusty winds likely at isolated places over Andhra Pradesh and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Cold wave conditions likely at isolated places over Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	—	30.8	16.6	Kozhikode	0.9	34.0	24.5
Ahmedabad	—	30.1	16.6	Kurnool	—	31.5	18.4
Aizawl	—	27.4	14.5	Lucknow	—	27.4	11.0
Allahabad	—	28.3	10.6	Madurai	—	33.4	22.5
Bengaluru	—	27.7	17.2	Mangaluru	—	32.6	23.8
Bhopal	—	26.2	8.0	Mumbai	—	32.7	18.0
Bhubaneswar	—	29.8	14.8	Mysuru	—	27.0	17.8
Chandigarh	—	26.9	8.4	New Delhi	—	26.6	9.7
Chennai	—	30.1	24.6	Patna	—	27.3	15.8
Coimbatore	—	30.4	22.0	Port Blair	0.3	30.9	25.2
Dehradun	—	26.7	9.6	Puducherry	—	28.5	21.7
Gangtok	—	19.2	9.9	Pune	—	29.8	14.7
Goa	—	33.0	20.8	Raipur	—	29.0	13.4
Guwahati	—	28.7	18.2	Ranchi	—	24.6	11.0
Hubballi	—	28.0	16.0	Shillong	—	22.0	8.0
Hyderabad	—	29.6	13.8	Shimla	—	20.8	9.2
Imphal	—	26.5	17.7	Srinagar	—	16.2	-2.4
Jaipur	—	28.4	12.4	Thiruvananthapuram	3	31.7	23.4
Kochi	0.2	29.4	24.8	Tiruchi	—	31.8	22.4
Kohima	—	16.6	11.0	Vijayawada	—	29.8	19.0
Kolkata	—	29.2	18.4	Visakhapatnam	—	29.5	21.1

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO₂	NO₂	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.34	..89	.87	...131	...191	
Bengaluru	.10	..35	.52	...154	...110	
Chennai	.15	..32	.30	...277	...147	
Delhi	.42	134	104	...416	...395	
Hyderabad	...4	..25	.72	...165	...132	
Kolkata	...2	..69	.53	...288	...220	
Lucknow	...9	..34	.21	...219	...242	
Mumbai	...5	..38	.26	...319	...267	
Pune	.13	..83	.86	...196	...198	
Visakhapatnam	.27	..63	.24	...233	...163	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 418 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Shillong, Meghalaya recorded a healthy AQI score of 26

Air Quality Code: Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO₂: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO₂: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Jayakumar takes over as president of TDB amid row over missing gold

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Amid the controversy over the Sabarimala gold theft case that has cast a shadow over the Kerala government and the temple administration, former Chief Secretary K. Jayakumar took charge as president of the Travancore Devaswom Board (TDB) on Saturday.

At a function at the TDB headquarters in Thiruvananthapuram, Mr. Jayakumar took the oath of office in the presence of Devaswom Minister V.N. Vasavan and other dignitaries.

Former Minister K. Raju was also inducted into the board as a member on the occasion.

TDB secretary P.N. Ganeshwaran Potti administered the oath of office to the newly-elected.

Addressing the function, Mr. Jayakumar said, the devaswom was impacted following the controversy, the first task of the newly assumed board is to restore the faith of devotees and the reputation of the board. It will also ensure that the incidents that contributed to such a situation are not repeated. The board and its activities would be guided according to the principle 'of the devotees, by the devotees, for the devotees'," he said.

K. Jayakumar

"If the reputation of the Travancore Devaswom Board has been affected or the devotees' concept of

INBRIEF

Elaborate arrangements in place for Sabarimala season

The State Health department has made extensive arrangements for the annual Sabarimala pilgrimage season, which begins on Monday. Kerala Health Minister Veena George said all hospitals will be equipped with defibrillators, ventilators, and cardiac monitors. Fully equipped laboratories will operate at Nilackal and Pampa, and operation theatres will function at both Pampa and the Sannidhanam. In coordination with the Travancore Devaswom Board, emergency medical centres have been set up along the Pampa- Sannidhanam trekking route.

Govt. medical officer among 6 arrested in kidney racket case

The police arrested six accused in the kidney racket case, allegedly operating out of Global Multispecialty Hospitals at Madanapalle, in Annamayya district on Saturday.

Speaking to the media, Deputy Superintendent of Police S. Mahendra said that the racket was run by a 15-member team headed by Dr. Anjaneyulu, the hospital owner and Annamayya District Coordinator of Health Services (DCHS). "The Bengaluru-based doctor involved in the procedure will be arrested soon," the Deputy SP said.

Telangana High Court website hacked, officials alert police

Cybercriminals hacked the Telangana High Court website, with the breach detected on Tuesday morning after staff noticed irregular activity. High Court Registrar (IT) T. Venkateswara Rao alerted the Director General of Police about the interference. The platform provides judicial information such as cause lists and case statuses, along with administrative content, including notifications and notices, most of which are PDF documents. The Hyderabad Cybercrime Police registered a case on Friday.

Revanth praised by Rahul, Kharge for Jubilee Hills win

The Hindu Bureau
HYDERABAD

In the backdrop of the Congress party's emphatic victory in the Jubilee Hills bye-election, Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy paid a courtesy visit to senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge in New Delhi on Saturday.

During his meeting with Rahul Gandhi, the Chief Minister introduced Naveen Yadav, the newly elected Jubilee Hills MLA, who secured a significant win for the party. Mr. Gandhi congratulated him and appreciated the Telangana Congress leadership for a successful campaign.

Sources said Mr. Gandhi appreciated Mr. Revanth Reddy and the top leadership, including Bhatti Vikramarka and Mahesh Goud, for putting up such a good performance in the given circumstances. He also asked them to further strengthen the party, emphasising that the Congress has a huge responsibility to serve all sections of the society.

Revanth Reddy with Rahul Gandhi and other party leaders in New Delhi on Saturday. ANI

Later in the day, Mr. Revanth Reddy, along with his colleagues, also met AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge. The leaders briefed Mr. Kharge about the bypoll outcome and the strengthening political situation for the Congress in Telangana.

T.N. moves SC against President's refusal to grant nod to Bill

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Tamil Nadu on Saturday (November 15, 2025) moved the Supreme Court against the President's refusal to grant assent to a proposed law which exempts the State from providing medical admissions through the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET).

The original suit filed by the State, settled by senior advocate P. Wilson and represented by senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi and advocate Misha Rohatgi, said the President's denial of consent to the The Tamil Nadu Admission to Undergraduate Medical Degree Courses Bill, 2021 has created a "grave constitutional impasse".

The State urged the top court to pronounce the President's refusal as unconstitutional and declared that the 2021 Bill is deemed to have received assent.

The State said NEET tilted the balance unfairly in favour of affluent, urban, CBSE-educated students who could afford years of private coaching, while excluding bright but underprivileged students from rural background educated mostly in government and Tamil medium schools.

The suit said the 2021 Bill was unanimously passed by the State Legislative Assembly. The Governor had referred the Bill for consideration of the President under Article 201 of the Constitution.

Mother, her partner held for 'assault' on minor boy

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

A 37-year-old woman and her partner were arrested by the Kerala Police for allegedly assaulting her 12-year-old son after he reportedly refused to sleep in another bedroom.

The woman and her partner were arrested on Friday, and remanded in judicial custody, the police said.

According to the police, the woman was living with her son and her partner at an apartment in Kaloor. The alleged incident occurred on Thursday when the boy, who usually slept with his mother, was asked to move to another bedroom. When he refused, the woman's partner reportedly assaulted him.

Rare dolphin-fisher kinship in Ashtamudi lake to be studied

The study, which will continue up to 2028, aims at unravelling mechanisms driving unique cooperation between wild dolphins and traditional fishers in Ashtamudi lake in Kerala; the research will employ non-invasive methods, ensuring that no animals are captured, handled, or disturbed

Navamy Sudhish
KOLLAM

Standing waist-deep in the turbid waters of Ashtamudi lake in Kerala, the artisanal fishers may appear to be solitary figures, patiently attuned only to the tide's rhythm. But in reality they are waiting for some cue from their allies who are beneath the water. In a classic instance of inter-species collaboration, Indo-Pacific humpback dolphins (*Sousa plumbea*) drive dense schools of fish to the shallow, shoreline waters and signal the fishers with a dramatic tail-slap or roll. Nets are cast instantly and the catch is mostly great, while the dolphins seize the scatter.

This rare strategic cooperation will now be studied as part of an international collaborative research project launched by the University of Kerala and the study will continue up to 2028. The team includes researchers Mauricio Cantor (Oregon State University, U.S.), Fabio Jorge Daura Jorge (Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil), Damien Roger Farine (Australian National University, Australia), A. Biju Kumar (University of Kerala) and Dipani Sutaria (Dakshin Foundation, Bengaluru).

A dolphin in the Ashtamudi lake in Kollam. C. SURESH KUMAR

The Ecology and Evolution of Cultural and Cooperative Behaviour among Dolphins and Humans, a study supported by the National Geographic Society and coordinated globally by the Oregon State University seeks to unravel the mechanisms driving the cooperation between the wild dolphins and traditional fishers in the lake.

Human-wildlife link

"This study examines one of the world's scant remaining examples of human-wildlife cooperation, analysing the behavioural coordination utilised by both species to secure reciprocal advantages," says Prof. Biju Kumar, principal investigator, India, who along with Smrithy Raj of Kerala University, first documented the interaction at Ashtamudi.

The research will employ strictly non-invasive methods, utilising detailed photo and video documentation, behavioural observations, and semi-structured interviews with local fishers. Crucially, no animals will be captured, handled, or disturbed as part of the research.

From Page One

9 killed as seized terror module cache explodes

Lieutenant-Governor Manoj Sinha visited the injured in the hospital and said, "The government stands in solidarity with the families, friends, and loved ones of the departed. All possible assistance is being provided to those affected. I have ordered a probe to ascertain the cause of the accidental explosion".

He also laid a wreath and offered floral tributes to the deceased. "The nation will forever remain indebted to their selfless service and supreme sacrifice in the line of duty. The nation stands shoulder to shoulder with them in this difficult hour," Mr. Sinha said.

CM calls for peace

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah also extended his "heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families". "When will all this [violence] end? They [Centre] had abrogated Article 370, but now it has been clarified that Article 370 was not responsible for it. We were never with terrorism and will never be. We don't want all this. We want peace," National Conference president Farooq Abdullah said.

Giving details about the circumstances leading to the blast, Mr. Prabhat said the huge quantity of explosive substances, chemicals and resin was recovered during the investigation into FIR No. 162, 2025, filed at the Nowgam police station.

"This recovery, like the rest of the recoveries, was transported and kept securely in an open area of the Nowgam police station. Given the voluminous nature of the recovery, an inquiry was conducted by a Forensic Science Laboratory [FSL] team yesterday [Friday] and the day before," Mr. Prabhat said. He said given the unstable and sensitive nature of the materials, sampling and handling were done with extreme caution by the FSL team. "However, unfortunately, last night around 11:20 p.m., an accidental explosion took place," Mr. Prabhat said.

Shah holds meeting for govt. formation in Bihar

"Those trying to sow confusion between the LJP (RV) and JD(U) are merely trying to set a false narrative. This historic victory could not have been achieved without the sincere support of all parties," the LJP(RV) chief said.

Earlier, Mr. Paswan had informed that Govindganj MLA-elect Raju Tiwari has been elected as the party's legislative party leader.

Before leaving for Delhi, Mr. Jha met Mr. Kumar at his residence in Patna. JD(U) leader Shyam Rajak, who won the election from Phulwari Sharif in Patna district, also met Mr. Kumar.

When the media asked him about the Chief Ministerial candidate of the NDA, Mr. Rajak said there was "no candidate" other than Mr. Kumar. He also asserted that there was no vacancy for the Chief Minister's post in Bihar.

In the NDA camp, the BJP had emerged as the single largest party in the election by winning 89 seats, followed by the JD(U) with 85 seats; Mr. Paswan's LJP(RV) with 19 seats; the Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular) led by Union Minister Jitan Ram Manjhi with five seats; and the Rashtriya Lok Morcha led by Upendra Kushwaha with four seats.

The Rashtriya Janata Dal-led *Mahagatbandhan* crumbled to a mere 35 seats, with the RJD winning 25; the Congress six; Left parties three; and the Indian Inclusive Party of I.P. Gupta one.

More than 24 hours since election results were released, RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav was yet to react over the debacle.

Nowgam residents recount horrific aftermath of blast

Houses adjacent to the police station suffer heavy damage; grieving families conduct last rites of victims of the blast; J&K CM Omar Abdullah says govt. will provide all support to those affected

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

Tearful farewell: Relatives mourn during the wreath-laying ceremony for the victims of an accidental blast at Nowgam police station in Srinagar on Saturday. IMRAN NISSAR

Gloom gripped parts of the Kashmir Valley on Saturday as the bodies of nine persons, killed in the accidental explosion at the Nowgam police station on Friday night, reached their hometowns.

In Nowgam, people recounted horrific scenes they witnessed after the blast, as scores of houses bore the impact of the massive explosion.

The damage caused by the powerful explosion was evident in the remains of the Nowgam police station, a multi-storey building located in a congested locality on the outskirts of Srinagar. Shattered corridors, burnt records and mangled vehicles are all that is left of the police station, which was investigating the "white collar" inter-State terror module case since October 19 and recovered around 2,900 kg of explosive materials in multiple raids.

"We were preparing to sleep when the earth shook and window panes were shattered around 11:20 p.m. on Friday. A huge brown glow lit up the skies. In confusion, we rushed to check on the kids and leave the premises. To our shock, we found body parts littered around the area," said a mother of two from Nowgam.

"Besides the damaged windows, the blast caused cracks in the walls of houses. I have never seen such horrific scenes. For a moment, we thought flames would engulf the entire area," said another resident of Nowgam.

Mere meters away from the police station, the family of Muhammad Shafi Parray, a tailor by profession, appears shell-shocked. "Parray left home around 10 a.m. to help the police with some packing. He returned during the day to offer Friday prayers. He joined the police again in the afternoon. He was the lone breadwinner for the family. The government should give one of his three children a job," a relative said.

Hundreds of locals attended the last rites of naib tehsildar Muzaffar Ahmad at Budgam's Soibugh. Amid sloganeering, the body of Ahmad was lowered into the grave.

The Jammu and Kashmir government has announced that it would compensate residents for the damage caused to nearby structures. "The government stands firmly with the victims' families and will provide every possible support to them," Chief Minister Omar Abdullah said.

According to the police, 32 persons, including 27 police personnel, were injured in the blast.

Mini trucks used to transport 2,900 kg of explosives to J&K

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

The inflammable materials seized in Faridabad were moved to Srinagar, a distance of 800 km

Mini trucks were used to transport 2,900 kilograms of inflammable material, possibly ammonium nitrate, seized by the Jammu and Kashmir Police from Haryana's Faridabad earlier this week to a police station in Nowgam, Srinagar, around 800 kilometres away, a senior government official told *The Hindu*.

The case is intrinsically linked to the Red Fort car blast in Delhi that killed 13 people. This case is being investigated by the National Investigation Agency (NIA).

A part of the recovered "chemical and explosive samples" that were stored at a secure open area in the Nowgam police station blew up accidentally on Friday night when forensic samples were being collected from the lot, killing nine people and injuring 32 others.

The recoveries are the "case property" of Nowgam Police, which registered a case on October 19 following the appearance of Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) posters threatening locals against cooperating with the local police.

Under the Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), implemented in 2024, collection of forensic evidence is mandatory in all crimes that are punishable by seven years or more.

Prashant Lokhande, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, said that as part of standard procedure, the recovered explosives were being forwarded for further forensic and chemical examination. "Because of voluminous recovery, the said process was continually attended to for the last two days by following the standard operating procedure," he added.

The samples packed in small bags were to be taken to the Forensic Science Laboratory, Jammu for further examination, another official said. "...The forensic experts and the police were working throughout the day to scientifically store the samples in presence of a magistrate as mandated under the new criminal law. The seized material, suspected to be ammonium nitrate could not have blown up in a dormant state. We are investigating the causes," said the second official.

U.P. govt. moves court to withdraw charges against accused in 2015 Dadri lynching case

Mayank Kumar
LUCKNOW

Activists of leftist student organisations protesting against the lynching of Mohammad Akhlaq in Dadri in 2015. FILE PHOTO

More than 10 years after the lynching of Mohammad Akhlaq in Dadri, the Uttar Pradesh government has sought to withdraw the case against the accused, including the son of a local BJP leader. Additional District Government Counsel (ADGC), Gautam Buddha Nagar, has filed the withdrawal application in a local court.

"We filed the withdrawal application, issued by the government in connection with Akhlaq's case, before the concerned court on October 15. The court is yet to pass an order on the application and December 12 is fixed as the date for hearing the matter," ADGC Bhag Singh Bhati told local media.

All the accused in the case, who are presently out on bail, are facing trial in the case.

Mr. Bhati acted on the directions of the State government through a letter dated August 26, 2025.

On September 28, 2015, a mob had gathered outside Akhlaq's house after an alleged announcement from a village temple claiming that he had slaughtered a cow.

Akhlaq and his son Danish were dragged out of their home and assaulted until they fell unconscious. Later, Akhlaq died at a Noida hospital. The police filed a chargesheet against 15 people, including Vishal Rana, son of local BJP leader Sanjay Rana, as main accused who helped mobilise the mob towards Akhlaq's house and assaulted the family.

The Congress reacted sharply over the move calling it a dangerous trend with far-reaching consequences.

"This is a dangerous trend as the government has started pushing to withdraw the case against accused involved in creating a divide on religious lines and committing lynching... But, in a State such as Uttar Pradesh where the Chief Minister withdraws cases against himself, such a step was coming. We condemn such an action," said Congress national secretary Shahnawaz Alam.

Two FIRs filed against Al-Falah University

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police registered two separate FIRs against Haryana's Al-Falah University, following red flags raised by the University Grants Commission and the National Assessment and Accreditation Council.

The FIRs have been registered by the Crime Branch for cheating and forgery. Officials said the action was initiated after "major irregularities" were found during a review of the institution's functioning, prompting law enforcement agencies to step in.

Arunachal Pradesh appoints head of panel to examine draft of anti-conversion law

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

Brojendra Prasad Katakey, a former High Court judge, will head the committee

The Arunachal Pradesh government has appointed a retired judge of the Gauhati High Court as the chairman of a high-powered committee (HPC) to examine the draft rules framed for an "anti-conversion" law introduced almost five decades ago.

Brojendra Prasad Katakey, a former judge of the high court, has replaced the State's Home Minister Mama Natung as the head of the HPC to study the draft rules for the Arunachal Pradesh Freedom of Religion Act (APFRA), 1978.

The members of the committee include Ministers Kento Jini and Balo Raja, two bureaucrats, and heads of six organisations - Arunachal Christian Forum (ACF), Indigenous Faith and Cultural Society of Arunachal Pradesh (IFCSAP), Monpa Mimang Tsogpa, Tai Khamti Development Society, Arunachal Vikas Parishad, and the State unit of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad.

The Committee has been tasked with examining the draft of the Arunachal Pradesh Freedom of Religion Rules, 1978, in light of the High Court's directives in September 2024 and constitutional provisions. It has also been entrusted with consulting the relevant departments and experts, and recommending necessary changes to ensure that the rules are consistent with the provisions of the Constitution and judicial directions.

The Committee has been further directed to submit its report, along with the recommendations, to the government as soon as possible to meet the High Court's deadline.

In September 2024, the Itanagar Bench of the Gauhati High Court ordered the Pema Khandu government to finalise the draft rules of the APFRA within six months, while closing a public interest litigation petition on the matter.

The ACF has been opposing the "content and intent" of the APFRA, alleging that it targets Christians. It claims that the Act has many ambiguities to "abridge the fundamental rights" of Christians guaranteed under Article 25 of the Constitution. Although ACF president Tarh Miri has been included in the HPC, the organisation stated that the panel's constitution undermines its demand for the scrapping of the APFRA.

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar chaired a Consul Generals Conference in New York on Friday. X/@DRSJAISHANKAR

Jaishankar chairs conference of Indian envoys in the U.S.

Press Trust of India
NEW YORK

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar reviewed bilateral ties between Washington and New Delhi and support for diaspora activities at a conference of India's Consul Generals in the U.S. convened in New York.

"Reviewed our bilateral ties and support for diaspora activities. Appreciate the commitment and efforts of our Embassy & Consulates to strengthening the India-US partnership," Mr. Jaishankar said in a post on social media.

Mr. Jaishankar "chaired the Consul Generals Conference" held on Friday at the Consulate General of India in New York.

The Indian Consulate in New York, led by Consul General Binaya Pradhan, said in a post on X that it was "honoured" to welcome Mr. Jaishankar at the Consulate premises. "His vision, guidance and leadership strengthen our commitment to work for the India-USA partnership," the Consulate said.

After three-year slump, govt. aims at awarding 10,000 km of National Highway projects

Jagriti Chandra
NEW DELHI

The government has taken steps to reduce the time taken between approving a project and its date of commissioning. FILE PHOTO

The Centre plans to award 10,000 kilometres of National Highway projects by the end of financial year 2026, recovering from a slowdown that saw annual awards drop from 12,000 km to 6,000 km over the past three years, according to a senior government official.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways expects fresh approvals to reach 10,000 km in the current financial year, which had dropped to 7,500 km in financial year 2024, and 6,000 km in financial year 2025 after reaching 12,000 km in financial year 2023, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways Secretary V. Umashankar told presspersons.

The government is also confident of awarding 9,000 km of projects out of its target of 10,000 km. The lag is due to the government's focus on pending projects that were sanctioned but not yet awarded. Out of the 4,500-km length of projects that remained pending for award, 3,500 km have now been awarded, the official said.

'Broadly on track'

As of October 2025, 3,200 km of NH projects have been completed. Mr. Umashankar said the performance was broadly on track, noting that delayed monsoons had also affected progress.

The official said that the government has taken several steps to reduce the time taken between approving a project and its date of commissioning. The timeline from approval to acquisition is expected to shrink by a year, making the process more efficient.

Congress slams 'one-sided' EC; says Bihar polls were not transparent

Opposition party terms BJP's 90% strike rate 'unbelievable' and 'unprecedented in Indian history', says it will collect data and conduct a thorough analysis; Rahul meets Kharge to review party's performance, its second worst since 2010 in Bihar

Sandeep Phukan
NEW DELHI

A day after the Bihar Assembly election results were announced, the Congress on Saturday claimed the results were "unbelievable".

No political party in India's electoral history had managed a 90% strike rate, the Congress said, in a reference to the landslide win by the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) and Bharatiya Janata Party in the State.

The Congress took this position after senior leader Rahul Gandhi called on party president Mallikarjun Kharge at the latter's official residence here to review the poll results.

All India Congress Committee (AICC) general secretary (organisation) K.C. Venugopal, party treasurer Ajay Maken, and AICC incharge for Bihar Krishna Allavaru joined the meeting.

"The result that has come from Bihar is unbelievable for all of us. A 90% strike rate is unprecedented in Indian history. We are collecting data and conducting a thorough analysis, and within one or two weeks, we will provide concrete proof," Mr. Venugopal told presspersons after the meeting.

Taking stock: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi called on party president Mallikarjun Kharge in Delhi on Saturday. PTI

Questionable process

"This entire electoral process is completely questionable. The Election Commission is totally one-sided; there is no transparency," he added.

Late on Friday evening, Mr. Kharge had announced that the Congress would hold an inquiry into the poll debacle, and Mr. Gandhi had called the elections "unfair".

"This result in Bihar is truly surprising. We could not achieve victory in an election that was not fair from the very beginning," Mr. Gandhi had said in a post on social media platform X.

The 2025 Bihar election result, where the Congress managed a barely 10% strike rate by winning six out of the 61 seats it contested, is its second worst performance since 2010, when it had won only four seats.

Doubling down on the vote *chori* (theft) allegations, the official X handle of the Kerala Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) blamed the special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar for the collapse of the *Mahagatbandhan* or Grand Alliance.

"128 seats out of the 202 won by the NDA came purely from SIR-based voter deletions. We analysed the voter deletion data published by the EC [Election Commission] as ordered by the Supreme Court and compared it with the victory margins in each constituency," the KPCC's post said.

But signs of trouble in Bihar were visible even before the first vote was counted as Congress veteran and former Union Minister Shakeel Ahmad resigned from the party on November 11 because of differences with Mr. Allavaru.

'Ties with RJD'

Another party veteran, Kishore Kumar Jha, blamed the party's continued alliance with the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) for repeatedly performing poorly in Bihar. "There is no doubt that there would have been voter manipulation, but it's equally true that the Congress is paying the price for aligning with Lalu Yadav. The narrative of 'jungle raj' worked among voters. Our leadership should now go alone," Mr. Jha said.

Beyond the Congress's internal dynamics, political analysts pointed out the lack of cohesion in the *Mahagatbandan's* campaign strategy.

There were two distinct phases in the *Mahagatbandan*'s campaigning, Kumar Sanjay Singh, who teaches history in Delhi University's Shraddhanand College, said – the first phase was marked by vote *chori* and SIR, while the second phase focussed on issues of livelihood and Bihari identity.

"No attempt was made to link these two distinct campaigns. This downgraded the sanctity of issues related to election manipulation. Raising it now will not have much impact," Prof. Singh told *The Hindu*.

After poll debacle, Lalu's daughter Rohini quits politics, disowns family

Amit Bhelari
PATNA

Rohini Acharya, daughter of Rashtriya Janata Dal patriarch Lalu Prasad announced that she was quitting politics on Saturday, a day after the RJD-led Opposition alliance was crushed in the Bihar Assembly election.

In a cryptic post on X, Ms. Acharya said she was disowning her family as well. "I am quitting politics and I am disowning my family...This is what Sanjay Yadav and Rameez had asked me to do... and I am taking all the blame," said Ms. Acharya, who is settled in Singapore.

Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Yadav is a political adviser and close aide to RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav, Ms. Acharya's brother and the heir apparent to their father's political legacy. Rameez Nemat Khan is said to be an old friend of Mr. Tejashwi who hails from a political family in neighbouring Uttar Pradesh. RJD sources said that he was looking after Mr. Tejashwi's poll campaign and his daily routine, under the guidance of Mr. Sanjay Yadav.

It was not clear from Ms. Acharya's post what exactly Mr. Sanjay Yadav and Mr. Khan had said to her, but this is not the first time she has ignited a feud in the family.

Big decision: Rohini Acharya had expressed disappointment over Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Yadav's increasing influence in RJD. ANI

Expanding influence

Weeks before the Assembly election, Ms. Acharya, who had donated her kidney to her father in 2022, had expressed her disappointment over Mr. Sanjay Yadav's expanding influence in the party and his proximity to her brother.

There was also speculation in the run-up to the Assembly election that Ms. Acharya had wanted to contest a seat, but faced opposition from Mr. Tejashwi. Ms. Acharya was reportedly under the impression that Mr. Sanjay Yadav had played a role in denying her an Assembly ticket after she lost the 2024 Lok Sabha election from the Saran seat.

Reacting to the episode, Bharatiya Janata Party State chief Dilip Kumar Jaiswal said, "She has donated her kidney and due to one or two people, Lalu ji's family is getting shattered. If the family is getting divided and shattered because of one man, then it is not good. The family should be united, not divided."

Voters went with NDA out of fear of 'jungle raj': JSP

Press Trust of India
PATNA

Former poll strategist Prashant Kishor's Jan Suraaj Party, which failed to open its account in the Bihar Assembly, on Saturday claimed that a section of its voters ended up siding with the BJP-led NDA "out of fear of return of jungle raj under the RJD".

Party national president Uday Singh also claimed "polarisation" took place in the Seemanchal region in the aftermath of the blast near Red Fort in Delhi.

"I can say there was fear of the return of jungle raj under the RJD," he said.

R.K. Singh resigns after BJP issues show cause notice to three leaders for anti-party activities

Amit Bhelari
PATNA

The Bihar unit of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Saturday suspended former Union Minister R.K. Singh and two other leaders from the party for anti-party activities. The party asked them to submit a reply within a week. Soon, Mr. Singh resigned as a member of the party.

A show cause letter, issued by Arvind Sharma, incharge of BJP State headquarters, said, "Your activities are against the party. This falls within the scope of discipline. The party has taken this seriously as it has caused harm to the party. Therefore, as directed, you are being suspended from the party and asked to explain why you should not be expelled. Please clarify your position within a week of receiving this letter."

> The show cause is because of my statement against distribution of ticket to people with a criminal background. The remark is not anti-party
>
> **R.K. SINGH**
> Former BJP leader

On similar grounds, a show cause notice has been issued to party Legislative Council member Ashok Kumar Agarwal and Katihar Mayor Usha Agarwal.

Letter to Nadda

Following the show cause notice, Mr. Singh wrote to BJP president J.P. Nadda tendering his resignation from the party.

"I have received a letter forwarded by some members of the media (copy enclosed) stating that the party has decided to suspend me for anti-party activities and asking as to why I should not be expelled from the party. The letter does not specify the anti-party activities of which I have been accused. I cannot give a show cause against charges that have not been specified," Mr. Singh said in the letter.

He further said, "The show cause is probably because of my statement against distribution of ticket to people with a criminal background. The statement is not anti-party. It is in the interest of the nation, the society at large, and the party to stop the criminalisation of politics and to curb corruption, but it appears that some people in the party are not comfortable with this. I have given a reply to the State BJP office (copy enclosed). I hereby resign from the primary membership of the BJP."

Mr. Singh was repeatedly attacking the BJP leaders during the election. He accused the Nitish Kumar government of a ₹62,000 crore power scam.

When Jan Suraaj Party founder Prashant Kishor levelled allegations against Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary, Mr. Singh supported him and appealed to people not to vote for those involved in alleged criminal activities.

Pawar asks why EC allowed cash transfer during poll process

Press Trust of India
PUNE

NCP (SP) president Sharad Pawar on Saturday said the entrepreneurship scheme for women played a role in the victory of the NDA in the Bihar elections, even as he wondered how the Election Commission allowed distribution of funds during the poll process.

He was referring to the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana, a scheme under which a woman member of each family gets money for setting up a business.

He wondered how the poll body allowed the distribution of money under the scheme during elections.

"The Election Commission should think if the money distribution (by the Bihar government under the scheme) was correct", the veteran politician said and raised concerns over the possible implementation of the Bihar template in future elections.

"During the Maharashtra polls too, the amount (under Ladki Bahin Scheme) was officially credited to the accounts of women. If ruling parties use a similar method in elections, it will hamper the trust of the people as well as the election process", he added.

Victory margin of less than 100 votes in three Bihar seats

Press Trust of India
PATNA

At least three Bihar Assembly seats had a winning margin of less than 100 votes, while the contest was decided by fewer than 250 votes in three other constituencies.

The Sandesh seat in Bhojpur district saw a neck-and-neck fight with Janata Dal (United) nominee Radha Charan Shah winning it by a margin of just 27 votes over his nearest rival Dipu Singh of the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD).

Shiv Prakash Ranjan of the Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Liberation lost the Agiaon seat in Arrah to BJP candidate Mahesh Paswan by a whisker, as the margin was just 95 votes.

The Ramgarh Assembly seat saw a victory margin of 30 votes for the Bahujan Samaj Party's nominee Satish Kumar Singh Yadav. Ashok Kumar Singh of the BJP tasted defeat in the constituency.

All but one of the 25 State Ministers in the fray won their respective Assembly seats in Bihar

In the Nabinagar Assembly seat, JD(U)'s Chetan Anand defeated his nearest rival, Amod Kumar Singh of RJD, by a margin of 112 votes.

RJD's Faisal Rahman bagged the Dhaka seat, defeating Pawan Kumar Jaiswal of the BJP by a margin of just 178 votes.

BJP's Vidya Sagar Keshari lost the Forbesganj Assembly seat to Congress nominee Manoj Bishwas by just 221 votes.

As the ruling NDA decimated the *Mahagatbandhan* in Bihar to retain power, all but one of the 25 State Ministers in the fray won their respective seats.

Deputy Chief Ministers Samrat Choudhary and Vijay Kumar Sinha, both from the BJP, won Tarapur and Lakhisarai seats.

Three lakh voters added in post-SIR final list: EC

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The Election Commission officials on Saturday said three lakh voters were added to electoral roll in Bihar after the publication of final list post the special intensive revision (SIR).

They were responding to a social media post by the Congress, which pointed out that while the EC's statement announcing the schedule for the Bihar Assembly polls had put the number of voters at 7.42 crore, in subsequent releases the number climbed to 7.45 crore.

The officials said the figure of 7.42 crore voters mentioned in the October 6 statement was based on the final electoral roll published on September 30 after the SIR.

They said that any eligible citizen can apply to have their name added to the electoral roll until 10 days before the last date for filing of nominations for each phase of poll.

Assam Minister's 'cauliflower' post after NDA win triggers row

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

A social media post by Assam Health and Family Welfare Minister Ashok Singhal about cauliflowers has stirred controversy, with netizens claiming that he referred to a gory incident during the 1989 Bhagalpur riots.

Soon after the NDA swept the Bihar Assembly elections by winning 202 out of 243 seats, Mr. Singhal posted a photo of a cauliflower field with the caption: "Bihar approves Gobi farming."

The Minister neither elaborated nor explained the thought behind the post that many said was an allusion to the infamous "cauliflower burial case" or the Logain massacre during the October 1989 Bhagalpur riots, amid rising tension linked to the Ram Janmabhoomi campaign. More than 110 Muslims were reportedly killed in Logain, a village in Bhagalpur district's Goradih block, and cauliflower saplings were planted over their buried bodies.

Images of cauliflowers have since been used as a grim reminder of the massacre. Earlier this year, such images were used during the Nagpur violence in March.

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NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
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Item No.	Name of the Work
1.	Project management Consultancy Services for Proof checking, construction supervision, Quality Assurance, Quality Control & Quality Audit for the work of "Construction of 2- Lane Unidirectional Flyover at NFCL Junction, Banjara Hills, GHMC and Construction of 2- Lane Unidirectional underpass and 3 lane Unidirectional Flyover at TV9 Junction, Banjara Hills, GHMC under Engineering Procurement Construction(EPC)"-
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1.	Start Date	17-11-2025 from 04.00 PM
2.	Pre-Bid Meeting	24-11-2025 at 03.00 PM Location: 0 /o Chief Engineer (Projects), GHMC 6th Floor, GHMC Head Office Tank Bund, Hyderabad
3.	Last Date & Time for Receipts of Bids	01-12-2025 up to 03.00 PM
4.	Opening of Technical bid	01-12-2025 after 04.00 PM
5.	Opening of Price bid	03-12-2025 after 04.00 PM

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BARIPADA
"e" - Procurement Notice for Weir on Bridge Work
Identification No.- Online Tender- Weir on Bridge N.C.B. No.398 for 2025-26
Letter No: - 5167 / Date. 11/11/2025

1. Name of the Work : Construction of Weir adjacent to Bridge in the District of Mayurbhanj.
2. Total No. of Work : 04 Nos. (Four)
3. Estimated Cost : Rs.100.45 Lakhs to Rs.127.61 Lakhs (approximately)
4. Eligible Class of Contractor : As per Annexure
5. Period of Completion : As per annexure
6. Other Details :-

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Invitation for Pre-Proposal Conference /Demonstration of Search & Rescue Equipment

The World Bank-funded Uttarakhand Disaster Preparedness & Resilience Project (U-PREPARE) invites potential bidders/OEMs to demonstrate the following search & rescue equipment for Uttarakhand State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) and Forest Fire Equipment.

1- CBRN Equipment.

2- Forest Fire Equipment.

Further details may be obtained from the website: www.u-prepare.com.

Date: 05-12-2025 | **Time:** 03:00 P.M. onwards | **Venue:** 5th Floor, 36, USDMA Building, IT Park, Dehradun.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR
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INBRIEF

Health Minister launches 10 new AMRIT pharmacy outlets

Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda inaugurated the AMRIT (Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment) Pharmacy's 10th anniversary celebrations in New Delhi on Saturday. AMRIT pharmacies have been providing life-saving and essential medicines at discounts ranging from 50% to 90%. "Jan Aushadhi and AMRIT were conceived and designed to deliver medicines and medical supplies at affordable rates," said the Minister. He added that the next challenge is to ensure that every medical college and every district hospital in India is equipped with an AMRIT pharmacy. The Minister launched 10 new AMRIT outlets across India.

ED arrests private firm's MD in money laundering case

The Enforcement Directorate arrested Swaraj Singh Yadav, the managing director of Ocean Seven Buildtech Private Limited (OSBPL), for money laundering. The central agency conducted searches at nine locations in and around Delhi and other places, following which it arrested Mr. Yadav, who is "the key person and managing director of OSBPL for his alleged role in the laundering and diversion of funds collected from homebuyers across multiple projects". The agency also seized ₹86 lakh in cash, which was in the custody of his relative. Mr. Yadav was produced before a Delhi court that sent him to ED custody for 14 days.

31 students injured as school bus overturns in Jharkhand

At least 31 girl students were injured after their school bus overturned and fell into a 25-foot-deep gorge in Jharkhand's Koderma district on Saturday, officials said. The accident took place on the Ranchi-Patna main road in Koderma Valley under Koderma police station limits when the bus carrying them from Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya in Puto, Chandwara, overturned, they said. Civil Surgeon of Sadar Hospital, Anil Kumar, told *PTI* that initially 31 students were admitted, of whom 10 have been discharged, and as of now, 21 students are being kept under observation. Deputy Commissioner Rituraj met the injured students and ordered a probe. PTI

Himachal CM Sukhu promises to 'root out' heroin from State

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu launched a public movement on Saturday to eradicate '*chitta*' (heroin) from the State, vowing that drug traffickers who destroy young lives and tear families apart would find no refuge in the hill State. "Our police are ready, our government is ready, and more importantly, our people are ready to root out *chitta*. '*Chitta*-Free Himachal' is not merely a governmental initiative but is a people's movement," he said, addressing a gathering after the '*Chitta-Virodh*' (oppose heroin) awareness walkathon from the Ridge to Chaura Maidan in Shimla.

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EC's plans for pre-mapped data in SIR remain unclear

While the Commission hopes to use pre-mapping exercise to match names in old SIR lists with the current electoral rolls, officers across many States pass on the buck to electors for verification

Sreeparna Chakrabarty
NEW DELHI

As the second phase of the special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls is under way, it is unclear how the Election Commission of India (EC) plans to use the "pre-mapping" exercise done by each State before the rollout of the gigantic project.

The pre-mapping exercise entailed matching in advance electors who were already present in the voter lists after the previous SIR with those in the current list.

In most States, the last SIR was conducted between 2002 and 2004, and the current lists are the ones which are available as of October 2025.

In the second phase, SIR is being conducted across 12 States and Union Territories, including poll-bound Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and West Bengal. The first phase was done in Bihar, which led to the deletion of nearly 69 lakh names.

The EC had – at a meeting with the Chief Electoral Officers of all States, held in the national capital before the rollout of the SIR – assessed the mapping already done by various States.

Booth level officers (BLO) distribute enumeration forms to voters as part of the second phase of SIR at a village in West Bengal. AFP

Officials in the poll body had said that Booth Level Officers would already have this list (voters in the last SIR), and this would ensure that around 60-70% voters would already be covered by the time the SIR process begins.

Challenges on the field

However, things seem to be working out differently on the ground, with a host of officials from State CEO offices as well as BLOs saying that voters are themselves supposed to fill the enumeration forms with details that figured in the last SIR, and only in cases where they were unable to find their names, the BLOs would assist them with data from the "pre-mapping" exercise.

"If voters are unable to locate their 2002 details online, the matching exercise will enable BLOs to inform them whether their names were available in the 2002 list. These details can then be entered by the voters in the form," a senior official in the Kerala CEO office told *The Hindu*.

Asserting that Kerala could map 68% of voters in the 2002 list with the 2025 list, he said this indicates that BLOs have compared the 2002 Kerala SIR voters list with the 2025 electoral rolls and have identified a 68% match. "In other words, they have confirmed that a significant number of voters from the 2002 list are already present in the 2025 list".

For example, Kerala had 2.24 crore voters in the 2002 SIR, while the 2025 electoral roll has 2.78 crore voters. The BLOs have found that 1.7 crore voters from the 2002 list continue to appear in the 2025 roll. A large share of the remaining voters in the 2025 list are likely to be the children of those listed in 2002, who were below 18 years of age at that time, the official said.

Meanwhile, electors looking up their names in the 2002-04 SIR lists are having some difficulty finding their names, as many polling booths and, in some cases, even Assembly segments have changed. The PDF lists are in searchable format, but are mostly in the regional languages of each State, making the search process cumbersome.

People look on as a fire breaks out at an electrical goods market on Ezra Street, in Kolkata on Saturday. ANI

Massive fire engulfs nearly 300 shops in Kolkata's Burrabazar

Shrabana Chatterjee
KOLKATA

A massive fire broke out at a central Kolkata building in the early hours of Saturday. At least 20 fire engines were rushed to the spot to control the blaze. The fire was brought under control by noon.

The authorities did not report any casualties as the shops were closed when the fire started. Nearly 300 shops were gutted.

The fire started in a godown, which stored electrical goods, on Ezra Street in the congested Burrabazar area. From there the flames spread to multiple other shops in the area, according to initial reports. Many locals and shop owners rushed to the spot to help douse the flames.

"I got a call early in the morning and came rushing. Everything is ruined. We could not open the shop. I am just standing here helplessly and watching our shops burn down," a shopkeeper said.

As the fire spread, a multi-storied building adjacent to the original source of fire also caught fire.

"The situation is now under control. Because these are electrical goods, the flames are huge," Ranvir Kumar, Director General, West Bengal Fire and Emergency Services, said.

Some BJP leaders visited the area in the evening.

PM attacks Cong. for 'neglect of tribals', says Bihar voters decisively rejected caste politics

Abhinay Deshpande
AHMEDABAD

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday accused successive Congress governments of neglecting tribal communities during their 60 years in power, despite their significant role in the country's freedom struggle. Commenting on the BJP-led NDA's landslide victory in Bihar, Mr. Modi said it proved that voters have rejected a caste-driven political narrative, noting that the NDA had swept almost all seats with a large Dalit electorate.

Speaking at a public gathering at Dediapada in Gujarat's Narmada district on the 150th birth anniversary of tribal icon Dharti Aaba Bhagwan Birsa Munda, the PM said the BJP-led government has expanded medical services in tribal regions, particularly for sickle cell disease which disproportionately affects tribal populations. "A nationwide campaign is underway to address sickle cell disease, and under this initiative, six crore tribal brothers and sisters across the country have already been screened," he said.

During a day-long visit to Gujarat, the PM also inaugurated and laid the foundation stones of various infrastructure and development projects, cumulatively worth more than ₹9,700 crore.

Tribal freedom fighters

Mr. Modi said the tribal community had played a significant role in the country's freedom struggle, but their contribution was not adequately recognised after Independence. "The contribution of tribal freedom fighters was overlooked so that credit could be attributed to a few families," he said. He highlighted the work done by Gujarat tribal leaders such as Govind Guru, Raja Roopsingh Nayak, Motilal Tejawat, and Dashriben Chaudhary, adding that "numerous chapters of the freedom struggle are adorned with tribal pride and valour."

Prime Minister Narendra Modi at a ceremony in memory of Birsa Munda on his 150th birth anniversary, in Gujarat on Saturday. PTI

Claiming that Birsa Munda "was not remembered before 2014", he noted that he was the first Prime Minister to visit Munda's home. Family members of Birsa Munda were present on stage at the event.

Mr. Modi said the celebration of Janjatiya Gaurav Divas provides an occasion to recall the "injustice faced by tribal communities."

He alleged that "Congress governments did not take necessary action" on malnutrition, lack of healthcare, and gaps in education and connectivity.

On tribal youth, the PM said, "When they are given opportunities, they have the strength to excel in every field," adding that their courage and hard work are rooted in tradition. He pointed to the growing presence of tribal athletes in major sports events alongside Mary Kom, Thonakal Gopi, Dutee Chand, and Bhaichung Bhutia.

At an event in Surat, people hailing from Bihar and now living in the Gujarati city felicitated the Prime Minister for the BJP-led NDA's victory in the State's Assembly election. Insisting that the electorate had firmly rejected parties advancing caste-based narratives, Mr. Modi alleged that the Congress had drifted into what he described as a combination of "Muslim League and Maoist thinking."

Congress used tribals as their vote bank: Mohan Yadav

Mehul Malpani
BHOPAL

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav on Saturday accused the Congress party of ignoring the contributions made by tribal leaders to India's freedom struggle, and said that the party treated tribal communities "as its vote bank".

Mr. Yadav was speaking at an event in tribal-dominated Alirajpur district to mark the 150th birth anniversary of Birsa Munda, celebrated as the Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas.

"The Congress left the tribal regions as a crop for its vote bank and their loot. They only took votes but never let our glorious history reach the people," Mr. Yadav said. He also took a dig at the Congress's performance in the Bihar election, whose results were declared on Friday.

Calcutta University's initiative aims to protect endangered languages

Bishwanath Ghosh
KOLKATA

Several members of two tribal communities from West Bengal will spend most of the next week in Kolkata to participate in events that are being held with the aim of saving their languages from extinction.

The six-day event, starting on Monday, which includes a translation workshop, is part of a University of Calcutta-led project on endangered languages, particularly Lodha and Toto, the only ones in the State to have received Central funding recently.

"A translation workshop on endangered languages is a rare event in India. About 40 people from both the Lodha and Toto communities will be here for the event. The Government of India and UNESCO have placed special emphasis on their languages. This is part of our community partnership-based research, sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), and the ICSSR-Eastern Regional Centre," event convener Mrinmoy Pramanick, founder-coordinator of the university's Centre for Translation and Literary Geography, said.

Path to revival: The event is part of a preservation project, led by the University of Calcutta, to protect Lodha and Toto. FILE PHOTO

Culture on stage

"There will also be nearly 50 people representing the Bengali language, and that's because there are some texts that are written by the Lodha and Toto people, but in the Bengali script. We will be discussing the translation of their texts into English. Besides, there will be performances, such as a Lodha performance of their indigenous theatre form, and also an exhibition," Prof. Pramanick said.

"Our research will also be discussed with the community people for transparency and achieving better goals. We are dealing with Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG). There are 75 PVTGs in India, and of them, three are in West Bengal. The ICSSR calls for applications for funding every year for different schemes for their benefit, and this year, 34 projects were given funds across the country; we are the only one from Bengal to receive this funding," he said.

Assam CM to ink deal with British Museum for Vrindavani Vastra

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma left for London on Saturday to initiate the process of bringing back the revered Vrindavani Vastra from the British Museum.

He is expected to sign an agreement with the museum authorities on Sunday for the "homecoming" of the motif-rich silk textile, woven under the guidance of 15th or 16th century neo-Vaishnav saint-reformer Srimanta Sankaradeva.

Pieces of the Vrindavani Vastra likely reached Tibet in the 17th or 18th century and were later collected by British explorers.

The Chief Minister said the Assam government has begun the process to bring the historic treasure to the State, where it truly belongs. "The Vrindavani Vastra is an invaluable part of Assam's history and civilisation. We have only heard and read about it and seen its image in books and online media," he said via Facebook live.

The Vrindavani Vastra.

He said Assam will exhibit the artifact in Delhi and Mumbai, and that the British Museum will lend it for 18 months if the State builds a museum to its standards.

INBRIEF

NMDC raises iron ore lump price to ₹5,600 per tonne

State-owned miner NMDC has increased the price of iron ore by ₹50 per tonne of Baila Lump effective November 15 while leaving the price of the Fines unchanged. The new per tonne Baila Lump price is ₹5,600, the company said in a filing on Saturday. This is the second price revision by the company in less than a month. Baila Fines will continue to come for ₹4,750 per tonne. The latest revision is the sixth this financial year and the seventh since January.

Venezuela keen on ties with India over critical minerals

Venezuela has expressed keen interest in enhancing cooperation with India in critical minerals sector and attract investments, the commerce ministry said on Saturday. It was discussed in a meeting between Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal and Minister of Ecological Mining Development of Venezuela Hector Silva here. Mr. Goyal had emphasised the need to reactivate the India-Venezuela Joint Committee Mechanism. PTI

Hindustan Zinc gets licence to explore, mine tungsten in A.P.

Hindustan Zinc Ltd. said it has received the licence to explore and mine a tungsten block in Andhra Pradesh by the state government. This marks an important milestone for the Vedanta Group company as it looks to expand beyond zinc, lead, and silver into critical and high-value minerals. A composite licence in mining is a single, two-stage concession that grants both the right to explore for minerals and the right to mine them if the exploration is successful. PTI

A.P. bags investments worth ₹13,25,617 cr., signs 613 MoUs

Energy sector fetches the largest chunk at ₹5,33,351 crore, at CII summit; Govt. ensured investments made across Vizag, Amaravati, Tirupati: CM

V. Raghavendra
VISAKHAPATNAM

The Andhra Pradesh (A.P.) Government garnered investments amounting to ₹13,25,617 crore through 613 MoUs signed at the two-day CII Partnership Summit 2025 that concluded here on Saturday.

The energy sector fetched the largest chunk of investments at ₹5,33,351 crore followed by industries at ₹2,80,384 crore infrastructure - ₹2,01,758 crore, Information Technology, Electronics & Communications - ₹1,59,467 crore, AP Capital Region Development Authority - ₹48,711 crore, tourism - ₹21,036 crore, goods processing - ₹13,008 crore, and others.

Deal done: A.P. CM N. Chandrababu Naidu with foreign dignitaries at the valedictory of CII Partnership Summit on Saturday. V RAJU

An agreement was signed with the Goa Shipyard Ltd. for setting up a warship building unit at Machilipatnam

Major investments

Some of the major MoUs signed were with the World Economic Forum (WEF) for the establishment of Andhra Pradesh Centre for Energy and Cyber Resilience, the Airports Authority of India for the development of a greenfield airport at Srikakulam, and an agreement with the Goa Shipyard Ltd. for setting up a warship building and defence manufacturing unit at Machilipatnam.

A few other MoUs signed were for an investment of ₹1,980 crore for the development of the Amaravati Quantum Valley, which is targeted to become operational in a couple of months.

MoUs were also signed for the setting up of 12 companies at Sri City.

Besides, Raymond Ltd. has come forward to set up an auto components manufacturing unit near the KIA car plant in Satya Sai district and another two firms in Rayalaseema region, with an aggregate investment of ₹1,201 crore.

Addressing mediapersons, Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu said though the CII Summit was organised multiple times in Visakhapatnam, the government ensured that investments were made across three regions namely Visakhapatnam, Amaravati and Tirupati, and officials were being attached to closely follow up on the MoUs so that they take tangible shape in the next three years.

In addition to having the MoUs signed, the Chief Minister, Ministers and top government officials held discussions with various multi national and Indian companies for investing in the State. The companies with which parleys were held included LG Chemicals, Atmospheric Core Company, IFFCO, and Cordelia Cruises.

'Global funds trimming exposures amidst imminent correction in U.S. markets'

Ashokamithran T.
MUMBAI

Carl Roothman

Global funds have started to trim U.S. exposures as volatility in the U.S. stock markets due to AI-driven enthusiasm has "reduced growth opportunities," said Carl Roothman, CEO of Sanlam Investment Group, a century-old South African financial services firm.

In an exclusive interview to *The Hindu*, Mr. Roothman and Vikas Satija, who heads Shriram Wealth, shared about the state of global and domestic markets and their joint venture plans. "I think you may see a slow correction, but it's already happening. If you start a year from now, you'll see that some of that is corrected. But I don't think it will crash, people will burn, I think money is already moving. So this is not a bubble in the specific sense, but there is some vulnerability," Mr. Roothman said adding that as index funds keep buying U.S. equities, the valuations keep on going up for those companies. "Once things turn, they're going to keep on selling and then you see a little bit of a crash," he added.

His comments assume significance in light of observations by IMF's former chief economist Gita Gopinath, that there is probability of a financial contagion in case the U.S. market crashes and such a fall could be bigger than the dotcom bubble in early 2000s, and may wipe out $20 trillion from American households. She cited the AI-driven enthusiasm and existing risks from trade tensions as probable reasons. Mr. Roothman, however, felt that this could be an opportunity for emerging markets, which saw a flight, as valuations were found to be expensive.

"That money is coming back. With all these trade wars, you definitely see a bit of a dislocation in the global market. I think Asia is going to have more specific investments," he said.

On the Shriram-Sanlam partnership, Mr. Roothman and Mr. Satija said that they would need to manage nearly ₹50,000 crore worth of assets on their wealth management clients in the next five years, which would need an expansion in labour force to 500 professionals from 152 now.

Use of AI in wealth management has become common, but it will not replace professional managers as the role of advisors would remain, they said.

Extend trade relief to entire textile value chain, says SIMA

The Hindu Bureau
COIMBATORE

The trade relief measures announced by the the Centre and Reserve Bank of India for the apparel and made-ups segments should be extended to the spinning and weaving units as well, the Southern India Mills' Association (SIMA) has said.

Chairman Durai Palanisamy said in a press release that India's textile and apparel exports fell 10.34% in September 2025, compared with the same month last year.

Cotton yarn, fabrics, made-ups and handloom products declined 11.66%, while apparel exports dropped 10.14%.

Production disruptions of 25-70% across the decentralised powerloom, knitting, and garment units, coupled with weak demand, have strained revenues, margins and liquidity, with 82% of the firms extending credit by three to six months.

Exporters are also facing order cancellations due to shifts to lower-tariff competitors, posing a threat to long-term buyer relationships.

These measures are extended to the garments and made-ups falling under HS Codes 61, 62, 63 and 94.

These should be given to the capital-intensive spinning, weaving, and processing segments which are facing a severe financial crisis, he said.

Iran looks to BRICS countries to use cryptos to help it bypass sanctions

T.C.A. Sharad Raghavan
TEHRAN

The Iranian government wants to use cryptocurrencies to pay for trade – including with India and the other BRICS nations – and bypass the various sanctions that have been levied on it by the United States of America and the United Nations, according to various Iranian government officials and businessmen.

In August 2025, France, the United Kingdom, and Germany initiated a 'snapback mechanism' through which international sanctions were levied once again on Iran following a brief pause, as a response to Iran's alleged increased uranium enrichment activities and curbs on access by International Atomic Energy Agency officials.

The U.S. has been levying varying levels of sanctions on Iran since 1979. A major impact of the sanctions is that Iran is cut off from the U.S.' international SWIFT payment system.

"Cryptocurrencies provide new ways to do business and to pay for trade," Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf, Speaker of the Iranian Parliament said while speaking at the deBlock Summit, Iran's first international blockchain conference, which is also backed by the Iranian government. "So, they can support independent nations. We want Iran to become a regional, and even global hub in blockchain technology and digital trade."

"We want to do trade with other countries where we pay in digital currencies," Mr. Ghalibaf asserted. "It is a necessity for us."

The Speaker said that incorporating cryptocurrencies required the appropriate technology, which the Iranian government was working on. "The Iranian Parliament hereby declares its readiness to work with academics, researchers, and businesses in this area," Mr. Ghalibaf said.

Brainstorming session: The deBlock Summit included attendees from Iran's Parliament and crypto industry. TCA SHARAD RAGHAVAN

De-dollarisation push

Pooria Asteraky, chairman of the deBlock Summit, said that cryptocurrencies, being a decentralised form of money, are a technological tool to achieve de-dollarisation, or a move away from the U.S. dollar as the primary international currency. "Cryptocurrencies are a decentralised form of money, not to be run by any particular government or political block," Mr. Asteraky said. "It is the first technological tool for de-dollarisation. BRICS is meant to get rid of centralisation by reducing the role of the dollar, and reduce the amount of dollars held in countries' assets."

U.S. President Donald Trump has repeatedly warned the BRICS countries to desist from forming a 'BRICS currency' and move away from the dollar, saying he would impose punitive tariffs on these countries if they do so.

India's Ministry of External Affairs has made its stance on the matter clear. "De-dollarisation is not part of India's financial agenda," the Ministry's spokesperson said in August 2025.

However, despite Mr. Ghalibaf's assertions, the private sector participants in the Summit said that Iranian regulations on cryptocurrencies and blockchain left a lot to be desired.

"There is not a proper transparent regulatory environment for blockchain or cryptocurrencies to prosper in Iran," Ehsan Mehdizadeh, CEO and founder of Wallex Iran, the country's largest cryptocurrency exchanges said during a panel discussion. "You can't say you are a country under sanctions and yet you don't want to use new financial systems. The regulator has not arrived at a good understanding of blockchain technology."

"The SWIFT payment system has been cut off for us, so perhaps cryptocurrencies and blockchain can help," Mr. Mehdizadeh said. "Digital and crypto currencies are one way to get around sanctions."

Currently, the Central Bank of Iran is the sole regulator for the crypto market in the country. It has introduced several restrictions, including blocking gateways that allow the Iranian Rial to be converted into cryptocurrencies. Crypto mining – the energy-intensive act of creating cryptocurrencies – has been allowed, but policymakers are raising questions on how to regulate those activities as well.

"The council set up to prevent money laundering had banned cryptocurrencies, but the head of the Iranian Parliament questioned this," Shamseddin Hosseini, chairman of the Economic Committee of the Iranian Parliament noted. "These currencies do have risks. One question to be asked is how much should you pay for crypto mining. Should these activities be entitled to the same rates of electricity that are charged to normal residents?"

Ali Hakim Javadi, the chairman of the Iranian Information Technology Organization, the industry body representing the country's IT companies, said that trust is the bedrock for encouraging investments.

"To encourage more investments, there is a need to build trust," Mr. Javadi said. "A major driver of this is transparency, which you can get through blockchain technology. If you are speaking about contracts on paper, kept in safes, then there used to be problems with these on a legal and technical basis. With blockchain, we are working on smart contracts which are transparent and dynamic."

(*The reporter was in Tehran at the invitation of the deBlock Summit organisers*)

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Vacancy Notice No	Post	No of Posts
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26/2025	General Manager **(Procurement)**	01
27/2025	General Manager **(Finance)**	01
28/2025	Sr. Office Assistant	01

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Why artificial intelligence models struggle to discover new drugs

C. Aravinda

In November 2020, as the world battled COVID-19, Google DeepMind said its AlphaFold model had solved the protein-folding problem, one of biology's toughest puzzles. The achievement was hailed as a Holy Grail that would revolutionise drug discovery. Yet five years later, the expected flood of new medicines hasn't appeared. Despite billions of dollars spent, discovering a new drug remains a slow and costly process. This paradox lies at the heart of Eroom's Law, the inverse of Moore's Law.

When Gordon Moore predicted that computing power would double every two years while costs halved, he captured the speed of digital progress. In medicine, however, the opposite has occurred. Eroom's Law ('Moore' spelt backwards) observes that the number of new drugs discovered per billion dollars has steadily declined.

The real constraint in drug discovery has never been the quantity of hypotheses but their quality. Every new treatment begins with a hypothesis: an educated idea/guess about how a molecule might influence disease. Even before the advent of artificial intelligence (AI), scientists generated millions of hypotheses, most of which ultimately failed. Today's AI systems can expand this to billions but they can't enhance the outcome into anything meaningful. Algorithms can multiply possibilities, they can't imbue them with intuition or creativity. The leap from quantity to quality remains a distinctly human privilege.

AI thrives on well-defined patterns. The protein-folding challenge was ideal because scientists had already mapped more than 1.5 lakh structures over decades. There was a known question, a vast dataset, and an idea of what a correct answer (all conceptualised by humans) should look like. AlphaFold's success was thus akin to a brilliant student topping a national entrance exam, such as NEET.

Drug discovery, however, is not an exam; it is exploration. It is more akin to a cricket scout spotting a future Virat Kohli on a dusty ground or a political analyst predicting India's next prime minister. No fixed syllabus or reliable data exist. Each breakthrough in the past, such as penicillin, insulin, paracetamol, and metformin, was born from serendipity and human curiosity, not machine logic. AI can reproduce knowledge but not imagine it. AIs like AlphaFold solved a bounded puzzle; drug discovery remains unbounded, uncertain, and deeply human.

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Cell sizes, clumping explain how animals form sharp patterns

While scientists knew diffusion played a role in animals creating different patterns on their skin, they couldn't determine how exactly an imperfect pattern took shape; a new model has come very close by adding diffusiophoresis to the mix

Sandhya Ramesh

For many decades now, scientists and biologists have been trying to understand how the mesmerising patterns in animal coats emerge from a group of underdeveloped cells.

The British mathematician Alan Turing proposed in the early 1950s that as cells and tissue develop, they produce certain molecules or chemical agents that diffuse into their surroundings, react with each other, and eventually enable the process of producing pigments for the patterns. Simultaneously, other interactions could inhibit their diffusion, creating non-pigmented spaces between patterns and confining them to particular areas. This model is why the resulting patterns are today called Turing patterns.

However, when scientists simulated this model on computers, the patterns didn't develop the kind of sharp outlines seen on zebras, leopards, and snakes. Instead, it yielded blurry patterns, as if the diffusion wasn't confined.

A new study from the University of Colorado-Boulder, published in Matter on October 27, has reportedly figured out how animal coat patterns with sharp edges take shape.

In 2023, a team led by Ankur Gupta, the new study's coauthor and assistant professor at the chemical and biological engineering department, identified a phenomenon called diffusiophoresis: where colloidal particles suspended in a fluid or dispersion medium could attract other particles like a magnet, clumping them together.

When they ran simulations, they found diffusiophoresis could result in sharper patterns than the Turing model created. However, these patterns were symmetrical, whereas in nature they have little imperfections.

In the new study, Dr. Gupta and his colleague Siamak Mirfendereski improved their own model by assigning specific sizes to different cells, then simulated the movement of these cells through tissues. And there they were: the imperfect Turing patterns much like those in the wild. Say a molecule is moving through a liquid medium. Because it's so small, it will be affected by small temperature changes happening around it. Seen from afar, the molecule will seem to be jittering around in random directions, and its journey through the medium in this way is called diffusion. It's what happens, for example, when some ink is dropped into a glass of water: the ink molecules diffuse over time to spread out evenly.

The team found that when it used the Turing model, the patterns appeared blurry without proper boundaries, meaning the pigments were only allowed to diffuse. But if they were allowed to clump together, the team found that little clumps would form in the medium, with particles aggregating together. This phenomenon is called diffusiophoresis.

When the researchers modeled the entire system with diffusiophoresis, they observed that patterns did occur and that they were much sharper than the classical Turing model. But because the cells all had the same size, the patterns were too perfect.

In the aforementioned example, the updated model is akin to some particles in the water being attracted to the ink molecules while others are repelled.

The cells' size matters in this scenario because it controls how well the cells can be packed around each other when they clump.

In the model, when the cells were small compared to the pattern thickness, they could move freely and fit neatly into new patterns and the clumps they formed were smooth and well-organised. But as the cell got bigger, approaching the width of the chemical pattern, they started to bump into each other more and couldn't fit perfectly into the pattern's 'ideal' spots, leading to imperfections. Some areas could be packed tightly while others were sparse or fragmented.

Since larger cells also have more surface area, they could form broader patterns than those formed by smaller cells. But when they were even larger, the cells couldn't form complete patterns at all. The clumps become irregular and coarse, like the uneven spots seen in real biological tissue.

"When we simply modeled the cells with various sizes, our ... patterns suddenly became much more realistic," Dr. Gupta said. "The imperfections in patterns are present and tightened, and something like the idea of discreteness is observed in this framework, and these patterns resemble more closely what we find in nature."

The study isn't without limitations. The new model doesn't account for biological forces within a tissue or cell (e.g. adhesion) and it also simulated cells as hard spheres rather than as the permeable and squishy blobs they really are – both issues the researchers said could be resolved in future studies. For now, the new findings do come close to explaining natural patterns found in various animals, and could pave the way for better camouflage and textile design.

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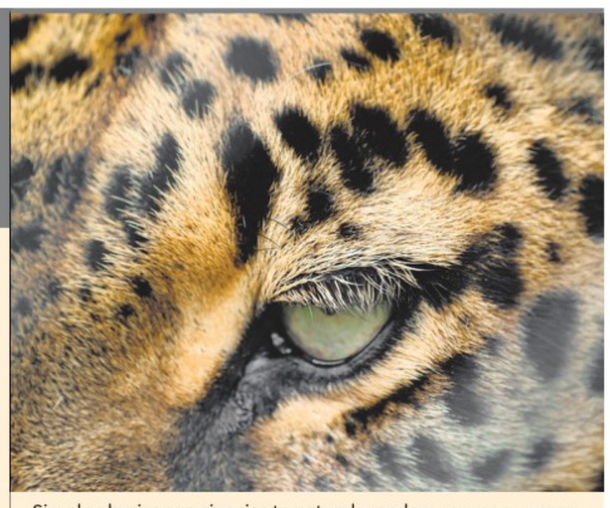
Islands of colour

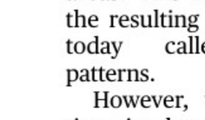
Researchers have found a simple model that recreates animals' coat patterns

- Classic Turing models explain diffusion-driven pigment patterns but often yield blurry and poorly bounded motifs
- Researchers recently found diffusiophoresis, where particles can attract or repel, producing sharper simulated patterns than before
- Early simulations yielded patterns that were too perfect compared to the irregular animal coat patterns observed in nature
- By assigning cells different sizes in a simulation, the researchers were able to reproduce imperfect yet realistic patterns seen on animals
- The cells' sizes governed their ability to pack together to create tight pigmented regions separated by sparser gaps
- While the model is itself imperfect, researchers expect it could pave the way for better camouflage and textile designs



Simple physics can give rise to natural wonders. AMANDA SWANEPOEL

The biological magic of shared laughter



SPEAKING OF SCIENCE

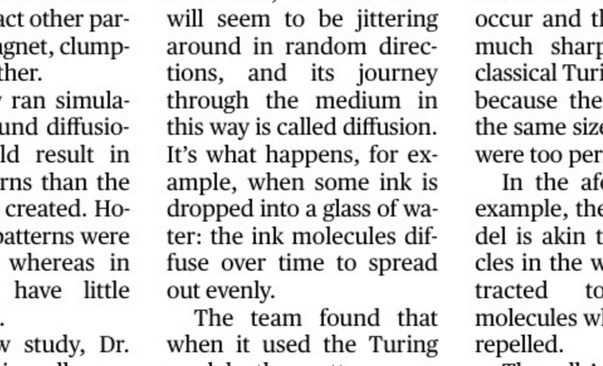
D. Balasubramanian

In a study conducted by the German paediatric surgeon Winfried Barthlen, clowns were asked to interact with hospitalised children awaiting surgery. Not surprisingly, these children showed less anxiety after a happy session with a clown. An analysis of their saliva samples showed elevated levels of oxytocin (see *Frontiers in Pediatrics*, 12, 1324283, 2024).

Oxytocin is also called the bonding hormone because its levels are raised by social bonding and physical touch. Its presence increases the feeling of trust and signals that one is in a safe environment. Such neurochemical changes occur in moments of emotional well-being. For the anxious children, the clown was not just a distraction but the source of shared laughter; the clown's presence facilitated a genuine social connection.

Other studies have shown that adrenaline and cortisol levels go down in people in whom laughter is induced, particularly when they are in the company of others with whom they share social bonds. Hormone levels are also lower when the study participants are induced to laugh together with strangers.

Both adrenaline and cortisol are stress hormones but they differ in how they act. Adrenaline is a rapid-response hormone: its presence raises blood pressure, heart rate, and blood sugar levels. The mild social stress that arises when meeting with unfamiliar faces is quickly deactivated when adrenaline is lowered: you relax. Cortisol acts slowly and the stress it induces lasts longer. When cortisol levels are lowered, the feelings of anxiety are also reduced.



When laughter is shared in a social setting, it becomes louder and more frequent. SABBIR BHUIYAN/PEXELS

By scanning groups of friends watching comedy clips together using positron emission tomography (PET), researchers in Finland showed in 2017 that endogenous opioids are released in the thalamus and other parts of the brain (*Journal of Neuroscience*, 37, p. 6125). Endogenous opioids act as analgesics and inhibit the sensation of pain, thus keeping you calm. In the context of social bonding, having fun together reduces stress and pain. It also serves as a reward system, the feeling of exhilaration encouraging you to spend more time in rewarding company.

Chimpanzees and other great apes also use laughter as a social lubricant. Sounding like a heavy pant, a chimpanzee's laugh is evoked during play, such as when chasing or wrestling, or when they are tickled. Their social networks are nurtured by reciprocal grooming and play.

Chimpanzees invest a considerable amount of time, up to two hours out of 12 waking hours, in social grooming. A chimpanzee's "contact list" has about 80-100 acquaintances, with fewer than 20 being core allies.

People's contact lists (on mobile phones) usually have between 300 and 600 names. Humans can remember the names and recognise the faces of about 1,500 individuals, acquaintances accumulated over time. It is thus evident that the expansion of human social networks has outpaced the time available for sustained one-to-one social bonding. One theory, popularised by the Oxford-based anthropologist Robin Dunbar, proposes that social laughter evolved in humans to permit shared emotional experiences among all the interacting members.

As the use of social media proliferates, we increasingly devote time to solo pursuits. Sure, you laugh and feel good when you see those forwarded kitten videos. But you laugh alone. When laughter is shared in a social setting, however, it becomes louder and more frequent as the group's brain activity becomes synchronised. Interpersonal synchronicity lies at the heart of our social bonds. Maybe we should be spending more time in the company of our loved ones!

The article was written in collaboration with Sushil Chandani

SNAPSHOTS

Irrigation's most popular numbers may be myths

The claim that irrigation produces 40% of the world's crops and uses 70% of its freshwater may not be true. Upon tracing almost 3,700 documents, researchers found that only about 1.5% of cited sources actually contained original figures; in most citation chains, the trail ended at documents that either lacked data or didn't state the 40% and 70% figures. They estimated irrigation's share of food production could be a more uncertain 18-50% and share of freshwater withdrawals 45-90%.

Island's southern elephant seal population crashes

Highly pathogenic avian influenza may have decimated a southern elephant seal population in South Georgia. Using drone images from 2022 and 2024, researchers found a 47% drop in the number of breeding females in 2024 over 2022, far more than normal year-to-year changes. If scaled to the whole island, about 53,000 females may have failed to breed in 2024. The team said no other explanations can account for the decline and warned recovery could take decades.

Key molecule could keep mosquitoes from biting

Scientists built an automated system to expose female *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes to short bursts of CO2 and tracked their movement. The mosquitoes reacted quickly to CO2 in the day but the response lasted longer at dawn and dusk, i.e. typical biting times, and vanished at night. They found a molecule called pigment-dispersing factor enabled mosquitoes' daily activity and supported blood-feeding in mornings and midday, although the basic CO2 sensitivity survived when the factor was removed.

Question Corner

Catch the yawn

Why is yawning contagious?

Yawning may spread because our brains are tuned to mirror others. When we see or hear a yawn, circuits involved in social mirroring and empathy may prime the throat and face muscles to mirror it. This may have helped groups of humans synchronise arousal and stay alert together.
Another idea is thermoregulation. Yawning may briefly boost blood- and air-flow through the sinuses, helping cool the brain. If one member shows signs of overheating or fatigue, others may copy the behaviour to stabilise attention. If social mirroring is key, people who pay less attention to others' faces or are intensely task-focused often yawn less, including very young children and some autistic individuals. The effect is more pronounced when a person's gaze shifts to others' faces. But if the act of cooling the brain matters more, people in cooler environments, those breathing through the nose or those keeping the jaw busy (by talking or chewing) may suppress the urge better.
Were you able to read this without yawning?

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Where does India stand in tackling TB?

What are the hurdles in eradicating tuberculosis? Why has India missed the target of being TB-free by 2025?

Bindu Shajan Perappadan

The story so far:

The World Health Organization (WHO) released its Global Tuberculosis Report 2025 this week which states that TB remains one of the world's deadliest infections, claiming over 12 lakh lives and affecting an estimated 1.07 crore people in 2024.

Which countries have a heavy disease load?

In 2024, 87% of the world's TB patients were concentrated in 30 countries, with the highest rates found in India (25%), Indonesia (10%), the Philippines (6.8%), China (6.5%), Pakistan (6.3%), Nigeria (4.8%), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (3.9%) and Bangladesh (3.6%), the report noted. It added that despite measurable progress in diagnosis, treatment and innovation, persistent challenges in funding and equitable access to care threaten to reverse hard-won gains in the global fight against TB.

What does the report state about India?

India has a large volume of TB cases, but TB incidence has dropped by 21% from 237 per lakh population in 2015 to 187 per lakh population in 2024 – almost double the rate of decline observed globally. The Union Health Ministry noted that as per the WHO report, treatment coverage had increased to 92%, placing India ahead of other high-burden countries.

The WHO added that timely treatment for TB has saved an estimated 8.3 crore lives since 2000

In 2025, Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of TB cases, followed by Maharashtra, Bihar, and Madhya Pradesh. While these States have the highest burden in terms of case numbers, Delhi has the highest TB infection prevalence rate.

What are the challenges?

In 2020, the government renamed the Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) as the National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP) and set for itself the goal to eliminate TB by 2025, five years before the global target of 2030.

India has missed this goal, and the disease continues to impact many, posing serious health, social, and economic challenges. This includes a high burden of drug-resistant TB, weak healthcare infrastructure, especially in rural areas, and socio-economic disparities affecting access to diagnosis and treatment, said a healthcare worker engaged in the TB elimination programme. Other key issues, he added, include supply chain disruptions leading to stockouts (though central authorities have officially refuted claims of a nationwide stockout), a shortage of trained personnel, and social stigma attached to the disease. An article, 'Stockout of anti-TB drugs: Are we going to lose the gains achieved in year 2022-2023?', published last year highlighted several problems plaguing the TB eradication programme. It called out the TB drugs stockout in most States which led to patients being forced to skip doses.

How is India bringing down the numbers?

"The Central Government has aggressively worked towards TB elimination starting with extensive screening of vulnerable individuals and setting up the largest TB laboratory network in the world, comprising 9,391 rapid molecular testing facilities and 107 culture & drug susceptibility testing laboratories," said a Health Ministry official. He added that community screening efforts have been enhanced by over 500 AI-enabled hand-held chest X-ray units available across the country, with an additional 1,500 machines being delivered to the States/UTs. Through 1.78 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandirs across the country, the programme has been able to decentralise services and take TB care closer to communities.

The Ministry has also expanded nutritional support provided to TB patients. The Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) under the Ni-kshay Poshan Yojana (NPY) was increased from ₹500 to ₹1,000 per month per patient for the entire treatment duration. ASHA workers have been trained to identify early warning signs in TB patients in their areas and refer them to better treatment facilities.

What is the global trend?

The report pointed out that between 2023 and 2024, the global rate of people falling ill with TB declined by nearly 2%, while deaths from TB fell by 3%. The WHO added that timely treatment for TB has saved an estimated 8.3 crore lives since 2000. However, it said that global funding for TB has stagnated since 2020.

In 2024, only $5.9 billion was available for prevention, diagnosis, and treatment, which is just over a quarter of the $22 billion annual target set for 2027, the report said. Funding for TB research also lags, reaching only $1.2 billion in 2023 (24% of the target). In terms of tools to fight TB, the report says that as of August 2025, 63 diagnostic tests were in development and 29 drugs were in clinical trials, up from just eight in 2015. Additionally, 18 vaccine candidates are undergoing clinical trials.

Why was there a tech glitch at Delhi airport?

Why did the Automatic Message Switching System fail? What happens when there's a technical failure? How many flights did the November 6 incident affect? What are the issues that have surfaced after the incident? Which airports use the AMSS? Does it need upgrading?

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The story so far:

Air traffic operations at New Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport were affected on November 6, after the Automatic Message Switching System (AMSS) experienced a technical issue. It took over 24 hours for it to be restored. The Civil Aviation Ministry is reported to have asked the Airports Authority of India (AAI) to upgrade the system.

What was the issue in Delhi?

The Air Traffic Controllers' Guild (India) raised its concerns, highlighting how the disruption forced Air Traffic Controllers (ATCOs) to manually handle over 2,500 daily aircraft movements, including more than 1,500 scheduled flights and 1,000 aircraft overflying Indian airspace. An aviation source who is closely associated with Air Traffic Control (ATC) told *The Hindu* that the automation systems used by ATCOs derive the data from the Flight Data Processing System (FDPS), which in turn is fed by the AMSS. When the AMSS experienced failure, the automation systems did not get the required data, including flight plans. Yogendra Gautam, CCM, Air Traffic Safety Electronics Personnel Association (ATSEPA) India, has told *The Hindu* that the AMSS is a core communication backbone for air traffic operations, used in all the major ATC centres including Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata, to handle aeronautical messages. These include flight plans, departure and arrival messages, delay and cancellation messages, meteorological and NOTAM updates and coordination messages between ATCs and airlines. Essentially, it receives, stores and forwards these messages automatically through the Aeronautical Fixed Telecommunication Network and Aeronautical Message Handling System (AMHS) links.

'Existing automation systems used for air traffic control have begun to exhibit significant performance degradation'

It works using input sources, from airlines, ATC centres, meteorological offices, and AAI stations, which send digital flight or operational messages. The AMSS also converts various formats into a unified format. There is a routing logic, where the system decides where each message must go, whether to the ATC tower or other airports. Messages are temporarily stored in a central database and can be retrieved in case of transmission delays. The official said that the AMSS runs 24X7, processing thousands of flight-related messages.

Technical and procedural issues can trigger AMSS failure. Delhi's AMSS, which was supplied by a Spanish organisation, is built on an older server architecture with legacy message-switching software – there have been patches and upgrades. The system has some India-made content. Database or server overload, especially during peak hours, can cause delays or loss of communication. Other reasons include inadequate synchronisation between standby systems leading to message blackout periods, and integration issues with other systems. As the AMSS interfaces with air traffic service automation, aeronautical information service and network routers, any network fault or delayed interface response can choke the AMSS message flow. The official said there is also limited local technical manpower trained on this legacy system. In Delhi, the glitch was reportedly due to a synchronisation failure between the primary and standby servers, compounded by delayed switch-over and corrupted message queues. The result was an inability to transmit/receive flight plans and NOTAMs, he said, adding that a migration to a modern, cloud-supported AMHS/ATS integrated system is long overdue.

Time to upgrade: Union Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu visits Delhi Airport on November 8 to review operations after the technical glitch. ANI

How busy is Delhi airport?

In 2024, under the 'total passengers' category, IGI Airport was ranked ninth among the world's busiest airports, handling 77.8 million passengers, according to the Airports Council International (ACI) World list. It was ranked 15, for its 4,77,509 aircraft movements. The ACI represents over 2,181 airports across 170 countries. Due to the glitch, over 500 flights were affected and several cancelled.

What has the parliamentary report said?

In its 'Three Hundred Eightieth Report - Overall Review of Safety in the Civil Aviation Sector' (presented to the Rajya Sabha on August 20, 2025), the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture observed that "existing automation systems used for air traffic control, particularly at high-density airports such as Delhi and Mumbai, have begun to exhibit significant performance degradation. This includes issues of system slowness, data processing lags, and a lack of modern decision-support features". It adds: "The existing Indian ATC systems lack many of the advanced, integrated capabilities that are now standard in modern air traffic management systems used by global counterparts like Eurocontrol or the FAA." This deficit, it said, places an enormous additional cognitive strain on already-overworked ATCOs, who are forced to manually compensate for the system's shortcomings. This "increases the risk of human error and limits the overall capacity of the airspace".

How is it in Europe for instance?

Professor Marina Efthymiou, Professor of Aviation Management, Business School, Dublin City University, Ireland, has told *The Hindu* that Europe's Air Traffic Management (ATM) system, coordinated through Eurocontrol and implemented through national air navigation service providers, operates on a complex network of legacy and modernised systems that must seamlessly integrate under the Single European Sky framework. While initiatives such as SESAR (the technological pillar of the Single European Sky) aim to digitalise and harmonise ATM across Europe, the coexistence of outdated radar systems, fragmented communication protocols, and inconsistent data-sharing platforms continues to expose vulnerabilities to technical glitches and cyber threats. There have been disruptions, such as system outages in flight data processing or communication networks, highlighting the fragility of Europe's current ATM infrastructure and the need for resilient, cloud-based and AI-driven coordination tools to ensure continuity.

The future of air navigation in Europe is likely to rely on satellite-based navigation (GNSS) and automation-enhanced traffic prediction, but these advances will require robust cybersecurity frameworks and redundancy systems to mitigate the risk of data corruption or signal interference, she said.

Are there plans to upgrade?

In February 2025, Minister of State for Civil Aviation, Murlidhar Mohol, listed a series of initiatives being undertaken by the AAI in air traffic and air navigation management. These include the installation of a new pan-India AMHS to replace the existing AMHS and AMSS systems and Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast ground stations at 21 airports which utilise GPS and satellites for determining aircraft positions. Their installation at 15 other locations has been completed.

What are the threats from GNSS spoofing?

Why did pilots encounter manipulated Global Navigation Satellite System signals while flying over Delhi? Which institution is heading the inquiry? How do such occurrences endanger aircraft safety? What has the aviation industry been pushing for?

Jagriti Chandra

The story so far:

In early November, aircraft flying over Delhi encountered GNSS spoofing or manipulated Global Navigation Satellite System signals, catching pilots off guard as there had been no prior warning of such activity. Such interference is rare, barring at India's border regions or conflict zones. The government has since ordered an inquiry under the National Security Adviser Ajit Doval-headed National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS).

Is it a recent occurrence?

Aircraft flying over Delhi reported incidents of GNSS spoofing. These counterfeit signals cause erroneous navigation data in the cockpit, including incorrect aircraft positions and terrain warnings. An Air India pilot told *The Hindu* that he encountered spoofing on all six days he flew in and out of Delhi in the first week of November. Another pilot said his cockpit systems issued a false terrain warning, suggesting obstacles ahead where none existed. Other pilots encountered similar warnings while taking off from the airport. These events were being reported by aircraft within 60 nautical miles of Delhi. The disruption in navigational equipment often requires manual intervention, with controllers providing direct navigation guidance to cockpit crew. GNSS spoofing, or misleading satellite signals sent to trick air-borne receivers such as enemy drones, is increasingly used in modern warfare and is a growing menace for aircraft systems that rely on GNSS signals. It is a relatively recent phenomenon seen in conflict regions in West Asia, eastern Russia, and India's border with Pakistan and Myanmar since 2023. But such activity had not previously been documented over inland metropolitan airspace, barring sporadic instances of GNSS-jamming (blocking of GNSS signals) during VIP flight movements or Republic Day security protocols. However, this time no notice to airmen (NOTAM) were issued, warning of military exercises in Delhi that could explain why these signals were being encountered.

Officials have dismissed suggestions that VIP movements might have triggered the spoofing

Since the media reported the occurrences, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) issued a stricter Standard Operating Protocol (SOP) requiring pilots and air traffic controllers to report these events within 10 minutes of occurrence to enable agencies to swiftly recognise the source of false signals. The NSCS, headed by Mr. Doval, has set up a probe committee to investigate the matter. Officials have dismissed suggestions that VIP movements ahead of Bihar elections might have triggered these events, clarifying that security protocols during such operations involve GNSS jamming, not the transmission of false signals.

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What is GPS spoofing?

Modern aircraft systems rely heavily on GNSS for accurate position, navigation, and timing. When these signals are tampered with, it can affect many systems, including terrain and runway warning systems, automatic braking, surveillance, and communication links between pilots and air traffic control. GNSS spoofing doesn't immediately hamper the safety of an aircraft, as aircraft systems are built with several redundancies, including the Inertial Reference System that's also used for navigation, which continue to operate safely for up to five hours even if a primary system fails. But such interference, whether intentional or accidental, can threaten safety by reducing pilot awareness, generating false alerts, and increasing their workload. The problem is harder to manage because affected areas are not always mentioned in NOTAMs, leaving crews unprepared.

According to a report by the OPS Group (a community of about 8,000 volunteers, including pilots, flight dispatchers, and air traffic controllers who exchange new information on risks to aviation safety) in 2024, GPS spoofing began to severely impact civil aviation in September 2023. In the first few months, relatively few aircraft were affected, but by January 2024, an average of 300 flights a day were being spoofed. By August 2024, this had grown to around 1,500 flights per day. An analysis by the OPS Group showed that for the one-month period from July 15-August 15, 2024, a total of 41,000 flights experienced spoofing. The report identified the Delhi region among the top 10 regions in the world that encountered large amount of spoofing after locations in Cyprus, Israel, Egypt, Turkey, Russia, Pakistan, Belarus, and Lebanon. According to government data, 465 GPS interference and spoofing incidents were reported in its border regions, primarily in the Amritsar and Jammu areas, between November 2023 and February 2025, which is an average of one event daily.

Primary actors currently carrying out GPS spoofing include military units targeting hostile drones in conflict zones or GPS-guided ammunition and missiles. But there have also been allegations of malicious attempts to target civilian aircraft, particularly against Russia.

What solutions have been proposed?

In September, the International Air Transport Aviation (IATA) presented a paper at the 42nd Assembly of the UN aviation safety watchdog International Civil Aviation Organisation in which it proposed a multi-faceted approach to respond to what it called "a persistent and growing risk to aviation safety". This includes developing a standardised reporting mechanism, strengthening cross-border cooperation and information-sharing, and enforcing national regulation concerning the sale, possession and use of jamming devices and more stringent national and international spectrum management. Other steps involve deployment of advanced detection systems, encouraging avionics manufacturers to proactively develop and deploy more resilient GNSS receivers with enhanced anti-jamming and anti-spoofing capabilities.

The Field Marshal's nation

Pakistan's 27th Amendment

The Constitutional Amendment formalises the military's dominance under Field Marshal Asim Munir, granting him lifelong authority and immunity; the amendment restructures the military command and judiciary, making the General the most powerful man in Pakistan with constitutional protection

Stanly Johny

Pakistan is no stranger to military strongmen. Since its creation in 1947, the country had been under off and on direct military rule for over 33 years. Gen. Ayub Khan seized power in 1958, and remained at the helm for 11 years. He was followed by Gen. Yahya Khan. After Yahya's fall, the country entered a brief period of democratic experiment until Gen. Zia-ul-Haq staged another coup in 1977. Pakistan's last military takeover came in 1999, when Gen. Pervez Musharraf toppled Nawaz Sharif's elected government. When Musharraf was eventually forced out amid nationwide protests in 2008, Pakistan clawed its way back to civilian rule, even though the military continued to be the markhor in the room. Successive governments were careful not to antagonise the establishment.

Imran Khan's rise in 2018 as an outsider promising to challenge the entrenched political elite, particularly the Pakistan Muslim League-N of Nawaz Sharif, initially made him the generals' blue-eyed boy. But by the time he lost power in 2022, he had fallen out of favour with the military. If in 2018 the Sharifs accused the military of rigging elections in favour of Mr. Khan's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI), four years later, it was Mr. Khan who cried foul when his government was voted out in a no-confidence vote, and Shehbaz Sharif, the younger brother of Nawaz, became Prime Minister with the military's backing. It was Mr. Sharif who appointed Asim Munir (in picture) as the army chief.

As the saying goes, Prime Ministers come and go, but the establishment stays.

Imran Khan is now in jail over dozens of corruption cases. So are many of his senior party leaders. The PTI, facing a systemic crackdown, was barred from using its popular election symbol, the cricket bat, ahead of the 2024 elections, and Mr. Khan was not allowed to campaign. Yet, independents backed by the PTI still emerged as the largest bloc in the election. Even so, Mr. Sharif stitched together a coalition with the Pakistan

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People's Party (PPP) and other smaller parties to form a government, with the blessings of Gen. Munir. As part of the power-sharing deal between the PML-N and the PPP, Asif Ali Zardari, the widower of former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and leader of the PPP, returned as the President of Pakistan.

The PML-N secured the government; the PPP reclaimed the presidency, the military remained the power behind the throne.

Hybrid regime

Ever since, Pakistan's governing arrangement has been described as a form of 'hybrid rule' – power shared between civilian leaders and the military. With the Shehbaz Sharif government weak and divided, and Imran Khan's supporters persistently challenging the regime from the streets, Gen. Asim Munir steadily consolidated his authority. Following a brief air conflict with India in May 2025, he was elevated to the rank of Field Marshal, becoming a five-star officer. He began appearing at international stages along with Prime Minister Sharif. U.S. President Donald Trump called him "my favourite Field Marshal".

Then came the 27th amendment of Pakistan's Constitution. The passage of the amendment Bill, on November 13, formalised Gen. Munir's grip on power, opening a new phase of de jure political dominance by the military. If Gen. Munir was the most powerful man in Pakistan until recently, he is now the most powerful man in Pakistan with constitutional protection.

The amendment was passed by a 64-0 vote in Pakistan's Senate, the upper house, while in the National Assembly, 234 lawmakers voted in favour and four opposed it. Lawmakers from Imran Khan's PTI boycotted the vote in both houses, calling it "an attack on Pakistan's constitutional structure". The amendment swiftly came into force after President Zardari signed the Bill. The 27th amendment rewrites Article 243 of the Constitution, introducing a new post – Chief of Defence Forces. The long-standing office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee will be abolished [as of November 27]. The Chief of Defence Forces – now Gen. Munir – will wield formal constitutional authority over the Army, Navy and Air Force. Under the new structure, the army chief will also serve as the Chief of Defence Forces. It also creates the post of commander of the National Strategic Command to oversee nuclear and strategic assets. The commander will be appointed by the Prime Minister on the Army chief's recommendation.

The amendment also grants life-long immunity from criminal proceedings to any officer promoted to a five-star rank – now, only Gen. Munir – as well as the President. Five-star officers will retain the rank, privileges and remain in uniform for life, and can be removed from only through an impeachment-like process under Article 47. "Where the federal government promotes a member of the armed forces to the rank of field marshal, marshal of the air force or admiral of the fleet, such officer shall retain the rank, privileges and remain in uniform for life," Minister for Law and Justice Azam Nazeer Tarar said as he read the Bill, on November 8, in Parliament. Gen. Munir is only the second military officer in Pakistan's history, after Field Marshal Ayub Khan, to receive a five-star designation.

Judicial restructure

Besides the military command restructure, the amendment has established a new federal Constitutional Court to hear constitutional cases, effectively stripping the Supreme Court of a key part of its authority. Pakistan's judiciary, and particularly its powerful lawyer community, has at times challenged the military establishment. But the 27th amendment severely curtails the Supreme Court's role on constitutional interpretation. Judges to the new constitutional court will be appointed by the President – currently aligned with the military – on the advice of the Prime Minister – another military ally, replacing the previous seniority-based system. The move has triggered widespread resentment within the judiciary. According to Senior Supreme Court Judge Mansoor Ali Shah, the judicial overhaul doesn't represent a genuine reform agenda, but instead it is a political tool to weaken and control the judiciary. Two Supreme Court judges – Shah and Athar Minallah – resigned after the amendments were passed on November 13.

The 27th amendment will fundamentally alter Pakistan's political trajectory. The balance of power in the civil-military hybrid rule had already tilted heavily towards the armed forces – the latest amendment tightens that grip even further.

In practice, there is only one man who benefits from all the clauses in the amendment– Field Marshal Asim Munir. And Pakistan's mainstream political elite seem either unwilling or unable to challenge this power grab through legislation – except Imran Khan. But the former cricketer-turned-politician, despite his enduring popularity, has been languishing in jail for more than two years, when the Field Marshal is coming in from the cold.

THE GIST

- Since 1947, Pakistan has spent over three decades directly under military rule, with multiple coups led by generals such as Ayub Khan, Zia-ul-Haq, and Pervez Musharraf
- The current government under Shehbaz Sharif operates in the form of a 'hybrid rule,' where civilian leaders share power with the military
- Passed on November 13, the amendment formalises military supremacy by creating the post of Chief of Defence Forces

The South at the centre

COP30

As the U.S. withdraws and Europe falters, the Global South, led by Brazil, steps up with bold initiatives linking climate goals to economic growth

Shobhan Saxena

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When President Lula da Silva announced in 2023 that Brazil would host COP30 in Belem – the capital of Para, better known for its rivers, forests and Amazonian air than for roads, hotels or meeting halls – many Brazilians were surprised. Most people doubted whether the city could host one of the largest gatherings in the world. Yet for the past 10 days, world leaders, scientists, activists, diplomats, and fossil fuel lobbyists have been flying into this city as delegates from about 200 countries to debate the climate crisis. For the first time, the UN Climate Conference is taking place on the doorstep of a region – the Amazon – that embodies both the scale of the problem and the solutions needed to save the planet.

The first week of COP30 ended with major deadlocks unresolved, as talks happened in the shadow of COP29 in Azerbaijan, where rich countries had pledged to provide $300 billion annually to developing countries by 2035. Now, the rich world is dragging its feet, while the Global South is stepping in. Andre Correa do Lago, the Brazilian diplomat presiding over COP30, summarised the mood on the eve of the meeting's opening: "Somehow the reduction in enthusiasm of the Global North is showing that the Global South is moving. It is not just this year, it has been moving for years, but it did not have the exposure that it has now," Mr. Correa do Lago said last Monday.

Fractured front

However, COP30 is buzzing with debates and activities even as the rich world takes a back seat on emissions reduction and financing the climate action plan to the tune of $1.3 trillion by 2035. This year, the U.S. – historically the world's biggest emitter – quit the Paris Agreement; and the White House has not sent a delegation to Belem. Europe is present but divided, with its 2040 targets stalled by political infighting and a rising far-right, forcing the EU governments to retreat from their commitments.

But the Global South – led by Brazil – is not playing the victim. It has responded with ambition. During the past week's deliberations, Brazil has placed people, knowledge, and culture at the centre of COP30. In a dialogue with civil society, Mr. Correa do Lago stressed that climate action "is built through cooperation among peoples" to ensure that the energy transition creates jobs and reduces inequalities. The host country has launched several initiatives: the "Belem Health Action Plan" puts climate-resilient health systems at the core of adaptation, while a "Green Education" proposal highlights how teachers and students can prepare their societies for a world which is getting hotter. Brazil has also launched a "Commitment Letter", backed by 130 organisations, to combat climate misinformation globally.

COP30 is shaping up to be the most ambitious climate conference yet, with far bigger goals. The best example is the "Belem Declaration for Green Industrialisation", which calls on nations to accelerate energy transition while creating new green-economy opportunities, especially for developing countries. Its core message is clear: without strong and inclusive economic growth, true decarbonisation will not occur. Brazil's Vice President Geraldo Alckmin summed it up on Friday: "Climate goals must go hand in hand with real economic transformation... ensuring that all countries, especially those in the Global South, can lead and benefit from this new era of sustainable prosperity."

At the inauguration of COP30, President Lula had declared that Belem "will not be the same city" once the meeting ends. For Brazil, the new roads, transit corridors, and bigger airport are not just cosmetic changes; they have succeeded in placing the Amazon at the centre of global climate discourse. With negotiations running until November 21, Brazil is now pushing for COP30 to give a clear blue-print for a better climate action plan.

Belem, a city once doubted for its capacity to host a global meeting, may end up adopting the declaration named after it – and deliver a solution the world needs desperately.

Justice vs judgment

International Crimes Tribunal

The Bangladesh tribunal, originally created for 1971 war crimes, has evolved into a tool for political justice; reconstituted after Hasina's fall, it now prosecutes her government's 2024 crackdown

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AFP

The International Crimes Tribunal of Bangladesh has evolved through three distinct phases over the past 55 years. In the first phase, it was conceived under Sheikh Mujibur Rahman when Bangladesh sought to deliver justice for the genocide of 1971. In the second phase, his daughter, Sheikh Hasina, won the 2008 election promising to use the tribunal to punish the collaborators of 1971. In the third phase, the same tribunal is now being used to deliver justice for those who lost their lives or were left injured during the crackdown by Sheikh Hasina's government in July-August 2024.

With the fall of Sheikh Hasina, it became evident that the ICT would also undergo changes to suit the demands of the anti-Hasina forces now in power in Dhaka. Though described as necessary by the interim government, these changes exposed the tribunal to allegations of political bias. In October 2024, the interim government brought in Golam Mortuza Mazumdar, a retired judge, to the International Crimes Tribunal.

Over the past year, the leading figure in the ICT has been Mohammad Tajul Islam, a firebrand lawyer who has handled several high profile cases.

The tribunal has been divided into two wings: Tribunal 1, led by Justice Golam Mortuza Mozumdar, and Tribunal 2, headed by Nazrul Islam Chowdhury, who took charge in May 2025. Tribunal 1 is considering the cases against Sheikh Hasina, while Tribunal 2 is examining cases against Ms. Hasina's colleagues accused of complicity in the violence.

The upcoming verdict of the ICT is not without its sense of irony. Though initiated in 1973, the tribunal could not operate under Sheikh Mujibur Rahman as Mujib started normalising ties with Pakistan in 1974 after attending the Lahore Islamic Summit, where he met with Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. This meeting mellowed calls for justice in the newly liberated Bangladesh. The ICT lost some of its urgency during the years under Ziaur Rahman, Abdus Sattar and General Ershad.

The issue of justice resurfaced during the 2007-2008 interim government, when Ms. Hasina campaigned to deliver justice to the survivors of the 1971 violence and revived the ICT Act of 1973. The tribunal later sentenced several Jamaat leaders to death. The senior-most leader of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami, Gholam Azam, was also convicted.

The tribunal's anti-Hasina edge is sharpened by the fact that Chief Prosecutor Tajul Islam was the defendant for both Gholam Azam as well as other Jamaat leaders between 2013 and 2016, when majority of the capital punishments were handed out.

Dilemma remains

As the ICT prepares to deliver its verdict on November 17, its dilemma remains the same as 1973 and 2013-2016. The ICT was conceived to deliver justice in a national legal framework for crimes defined as heinous under international law. The international angle was necessitated as the masterminds of the 1971 genocide was outside Bangladesh – in Pakistan. Similarly, during 2013-2016, the ICT punished Jamaat leaders within Bangladesh while leaving the cases involving Pakistani nationals unaddressed. In 2025, most of the main accused, including Sheikh Hasina, are outside the country, though some of the accused in cases of disappearance of political dissidents and human rights activists are in custody and are likely to be tried under Tribunal 2.

While the ICT has framed the crimes committed during the last weeks of Ms. Hasina's rule under international law, it is, however, not likely to be regarded as a purely domestic exercise within Bangladesh. Official sources in India have already indicated that they consider the ICT a domestic legal mechanism and not as an international platform. They also point out that the tribunal is not giving equal hearing opportunities to the key accused.

In recent written interviews, Ms. Hasina described the ICT as "politically motivated". The interim government, however, has denied these allegations, insisting that the justice for victims of July-August 2024 violence is a separate matter.

PALM BEACH

Trump withdraws support for key MAGA ally Marjorie Taylor Greene

AFP

U.S. President Donald Trump said on Friday he was pulling his endorsement for key ally Marjorie Taylor Greene after a string of disagreements, calling the hard-right lawmaker a "ranting lunatic." It marks an extraordinary rift in Mr. Trump's Make America Great Again (MAGA) movement a year before U.S. midterm elections. AFP

COLOMBO

Sri Lanka makes over 1,000 arrests in one day during drug operations

AFP

Over 1,000 people have been arrested for drugs related offences during a special ongoing police operation in Sri Lanka, police said on Saturday. President Anura Kumara Dissanayake (in picture) on October 30 had launched the 'A Nation United' mission describing it as the biggest public movement against harmful drugs. PTI

GOMA

Islamic State-backed militants kill 17 in eastern Congo hospital attack

AP

An Islamic State-backed militant group Allied Democratic Forces (ADF) killed at least 17 people in an attack on a hospital in the village of Byambwe in the Lubero territory of North Kivu province in Congo, authorities said on Saturday. A local administrator said 11 women were killed in the attack. AP

LAHORE

Third Pak. judge resigns to protest new constitutional amendment

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Judicial crisis in Pakistan deepened on Saturday with a senior judge of Lahore High Court following the suit of two Supreme Court judges who resigned protesting the "assault on the constitution and judiciary" through a constitutional amendment. Under new rules, the Supreme Court would be demoted as the apex court for civil. PTI

China urges citizens to avoid Japan travel as row over Taiwan escalates

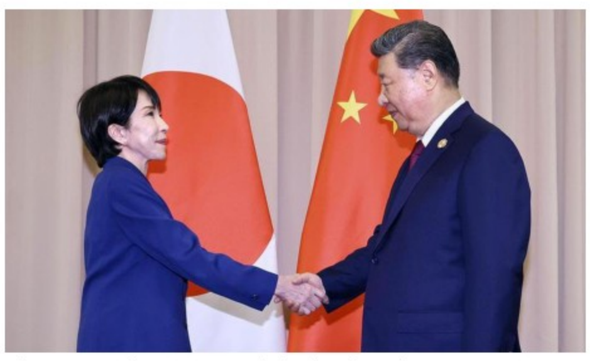
Both governments summon each other's envoys; travel warning from Beijing comes amid comments by Japanese leaders on intervening in Taiwan; Tokyo says advisory 'inconsistent with promotion of a strategic, mutually beneficial relationship'

Agence France-Presse
BEIJING

China has advised its citizens to avoid travelling to Japan, following a diplomatic feud sparked by remarks from Tokyo's new premier about a hypothetical attack on Taiwan.

Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi told Parliament on November 7 that use of force against the self-ruled island claimed by China could warrant a military response from Tokyo.

On Friday, Beijing said that it had summoned Japan's ambassador, while Tokyo said it had summoned China's ambassador after an "inappropriate" and now-removed online post.



Chinese President Xi Jinping shakes hands with Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi in South Korea on Oct. 31. AP

Tokyo has since said its position on Taiwan, just 100 kilometres (62 miles) from the nearest Japanese island, is unchanged.

In an online post on Friday, China's embassy in Japan warned its citizens against travelling to the country.

"Recently, Japanese leaders have made blatantly provocative remarks regarding Taiwan, severely damaging the atmosphere for people-to-people exchanges," the WeChat post said.

The situation presents "significant risks to the personal safety and lives of Chinese citizens in Japan", it added.

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Chinese embassy and consulates in Japan solemnly remind Chinese citizens to avoid travelling to Japan in the near future."

Reacting to the statement, Japan's Chief Cabinet Secretary Minoru Kihara told reporters on Saturday that Beijing's call was "inconsistent with the promotion of a strategic and mutually beneficial relationship", *Jiji Press* reported.

The Japanese government has requested the Chinese side to take "appropriate measures", *Jiji* reported.

Airlines offer refunds

In a further development on Saturday, China's largest airlines offered full refunds for flights on Japan routes before the end of the year.

Air China, China Southern and China Eastern all published separate statements on the policies, which will allow travellers to refund or change Japan itineraries free of charge for flights from Saturday through December 31.

Hardline Islamists rally in Dhaka, seek legislation to declare Ahmadiyas 'infidels'

Agence France-Presse
DHAKA

Tens of thousands of demonstrators gathered in Bangladesh's capital on Saturday to demand that followers of a tiny Muslim sect be declared "infidels", in a show of force for hardliners ahead of elections.

The Ahmadiya community, followers of a branch of Sufism that has its origins in 19th-century India, have long been persecuted in Muslim-majority Bangladesh.

Mob attacks targeting sect member were reported across the country when former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's government fell last year in a student-led revolution.

In the months since then, hardline Islamist groups that had been stifled under Ms. Hasina's autocratic rule have returned to the fore, in part hoping to make headway in general elections set for February.

Muslims take part in a rally organised by far-right Islamists in Bangladesh's capital

The crowd in the heart of Dhaka included political leaders and senior Islamic preachers.

Some protesters wore T-shirts that read: "Ahmadiyas must be declared kafirs (infidels)." A banner called for legislation against the sect "now".

"Ahmadiyas hold a completely different view from ours, and that's why they are not us," protester Mohammad Mamun Sheikh, 50, told *AFP*. "They can live in our country like followers of other religions, but not as Muslims," he added.

Ahmad Tabshir Choudhury, a spokesman for the Ahmadiya community, dismissed the theological arguments against them.

"Religion is being used as a political tool," he told *AFP*.

Sort of made up my mind, says Trump on Venezuela

Agence France-Presse
WEST PALM BEACH

U.S. President Donald Trump said on Friday he has "sort of" made up his mind about Venezuela, as his escalating military deployment in Latin America has ignited concerns about a wider regional conflict.

"I sort of made up my mind," Mr. Trump told reporters. "I can't tell you what it is, but we made a lot of progress with Venezuela in terms of stopping drugs from pouring in," Mr. Trump added.

In recent weeks, Washington has deployed warships, fighter jets and thousands of soldiers to Latin America and launched strikes on 21 alleged drug-smuggling boats, killing at least 80 people.

The USS Gerald R. Ford, the world's largest aircraft carrier, arrived in Latin America on Tuesday with the stated goal of helping to counter drug trafficking in the region.

'Regime change'

But Caracas fears the U.S. military deployment, which also includes F-35 stealth warplanes sent to Puerto Rico and U.S. Navy ships in the Caribbean, is a regime change plot in disguise.

CBS News on Wednesday cited multiple sources as saying senior military officials had presented Mr. Trump with updated options for potential operations in Venezuela.

On November 2, Mr. Trump downplayed the prospect of going to war with Venezuela but said the days of Nicolas Maduro–whom he accuses of being a drug lord–were numbered.

New consensus and sharpening battle lines over Israel in the U.S.

NEWS ANALYSIS

Varghese K. George

One year after Donald J. Trump was elected for a second time as President of the United States in November 2024, his MAGA movement is in turmoil-and that too on a question that was thought to be an eternal consensus in American domestic politics.

Israel has so divided the MAGA camp that its key influencers are framing it as a conflict between "Israel-First" and "America-First" politics, targeting what they call the MIGA-Make Israel Great Again-camp.

But the division over Israel is not limited to Republicans; it runs deep among Democrats as well. The Trump movement, which started in 2015, had scrambled the bipartisan consensus on three linked issues that had long united U.S. elites under globalisation-immigration, trade, and the outsourcing of manufacturing and services.

By challenging the orthodoxy on these questions, Mr. Trump sold America's dispossessed a new dream under the "America-First" slogan. Crucially, the debate on these issues has not just pitted Republicans against Democrats, but split both parties internally.

Today, many in both parties have moved closer to the views Mr. Trump first articulated-on stronger border control, trade restrictions, protectionism, and the promotion of domestic manufacturing. A similar realignment is now under way on Israel.

Mr. Trump himself is increasingly caught in the crossfire. MAGA supporters are calling him out for his support for Israel and its Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, while he is being cheered by traditional pro-Israel Republicans such as Senator Lindsey Graham of South Carolina.

Shifting dynamics: People walk past a projection depicting Israeli and U.S. flags on the walls of Jerusalem's Old City. AFP

For decades, older leaderships in both parties had maintained a unified front on Israel: for instance, Democrat Nancy Pelosi and Republican Nikki Haley, despite disagreeing on many issues, always agreed that when it comes to supporting Israel with money and weapons, there are no limits.

New wave of populism

Today, figures as diverse as Zohran Mamdani-the Muslim mayor-elect of New York City–and Tucker Carlson-the most influential Christian nationalistic voice in the MAGA world-find common ground in their condemnation of the Netanyahu government.

Meanwhile, Israel-sceptic strategic scholars such as John Mearsheimer are expanding their reach via independent platforms, bypassing conventional media.

If Israel once served as a unifier across American political divides, it is now becoming a defining fault line. Criticism of Israel is no longer a "no-go" area, immediately branded as 'anti-Semitism' as it was in the past. The demographic composition of both parties is changing, and being critical of Israel is now not only politically viable but, in some quarters, considered necessary.

Generational shift

One key reason is a generational shift in attitude. This is reflected most starkly in the opposing views between Nikki Haley and her son Nalin Haley. She once endorsed bombing in Gaza and insisted the U.S. needed Israel, while he argues that Israel is "just another country" and the U.S. should treat it as such. The second source of division lies within the Christian-nationalist narrative itself.

An older generation of Christian conservatives, especially Evangelicals, often expressed near-dogmatic loyalty to Israel, rooted in a Judeo-Christian shared heritage and a theological reading of biblical prophecy. Figures such as Senator Ted Cruz and Secretary of State Marco Rubio epitomise that tradition.

For different reasons, Israel-sceptics are also gaining traction in the Democratic camp. Some progressive Democrats are now drawing a line by refusing campaign contributions from pro-Israel lobbyists: for example, Representatives Morgan McGarvey (Kentucky), Deborah K. Ross (North Carolina), and Valerie Foushee (North Carolina) have said they will no longer accept funds from the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

Mr Trump himself has acknowledged the shift. During the 2024 campaign, he quipped, "Earlier, one word against Israel and your politics is over... Now, one word for Israel, and your politics could be over." Meanwhile, Mr Mamdani's strong showing in New York saw more than a third of Jewish voters backing him, according to some surveys.

The polling trends reinforce the sense of realignment: a 2025 Pew survey found that 53% of U.S. adults now hold an unfavourable view of Israel, compared to 42% in 2022.

A July 2025 Gallup poll reported that only 32% of Americans now approve of Israel's military actions in Gaza-reportedly the lowest level in the survey's history. Younger respondents, in particular, are far more critical of Israel's policies, suggesting that this trend could shape future elections.

Against this backdrop of sharpening battle lines, Mr. Trump is struggling to navigate a path that satisfies both sides. At times, he expresses frustration with Mr. Netanyahu; at others, he proclaims unwavering support for Israel.

As more of his own base turns against the traditional pro-Israel view, the revolution he once helped ignite may risk devouring him.

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1.	Name of work	: Execution of PWS
2.	No. of work	: 02 Nos
3.	Estimated cost	: Rs.1,06,45,932/- to Rs.1,47,04,949/-
4.	Cost of Tender Paper	: Rs.10000/- Each
5.	Class of Contractor	: 'B' & 'A'
6.	Availability of Tender in Website	: 17.11.2025 to 26.11.2025
7.	Submission of Bid in Online	: 17.11.2025 to 26.11.2025
8.	Date of seeking clarification	: 17.11.2025 to 24.11.2025
9.	Date of opening of bids	: 27.11.2025 (11.00 A.M.)
10.	Name and address of O.I.T.	: Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Division, Jagatsinghpur
11.	All other details can be seen from the web site	: www.tendersorissa.gov.in
12.	Bid cost and Bid security should be submitted in online mode	
13.	Subsequent corrigendum/ Addendum if required shall only be appear in above website.	

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1.	Name of the Work	:	Bridge Works
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	b) Estimated cost more than Rs.1.00 Crore up to Rs. 20.00 Crores		A Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
	c) Estimated cost more than Rs.6.00 Crore up to Rs.50.00 Crores		Special Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
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6.	Offered rates by bidder	:	The offered rate by the contractor shall be excluding GST.
7.	Other details		

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender on-line for bidding		Date & Time of Opening of Tender	
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RARE FEAT

Jadeja achieves double of 4,000 runs and 300 wickets in Tests

K.R. DEEPAK

Ravindra Jadeja has become the fourth all-rounder to achieve the double of 4,000 runs and 300 wickets in Test cricket. Jadeja entered the 4,000-run club on the second day of the Kolkata Test. Kapil Dev (5,248 runs, 434 wickets), Ian Botham (5,200, 383) and Daniel Vettori (4,531, 362) are the others. Jadeja has 4,017 runs and 342 wickets.

BRAVE CALL

'Washi at No. 3 allows us certain options lower down the order'

K.R. DEEPAK

Bowling coach Morne Morkel heaped praise on Washington Sundar, India's latest punt at No. 3. "Washi has been brilliant for us with the bat. What a nice opportunity for him. It allows us certain options lower down the order. It was a brave call to make, but he is a quality player. So why not give him that opportunity?"

HUGE BLOW

Gill retiring hurt because of a stiff neck unfortunate: Morkel

K.R. DEEPAK

Bowling coach Morne Morkel said that Shubman Gill retiring hurt due to neck spasms was bad timing. "We first need to determine how he got the neck stiffness, maybe just a bad night's sleep. Shubman is very fit and looks after himself well. It's unfortunate that he woke up with a stiff neck and that carried into the day."

MILESTONE

Rahul the 18th Indian to complete 4,000 runs in the longest format

K.R. DEEPAK

Opener K.L. Rahul completed 4,000 runs during the second day of the first Test against South Africa at the Eden Gardens in Kolkata. The 33-year-old is the 18th Indian to reach the milestone. Rahul, who top-scored with 39 in India's first innings, has 4,024 runs so far. He has scored 11 hundreds and 20 half-centuries.

India in command after wickets fall like ninepins

The Proteas end the second day 63 ahead with three wickets in hand; Bavuma holds the key; Jadeja scalps four on a spiteful track; Harmer helps the visitors bowl out the hosts for 189

SA IN INDIA

N. Sudarshan
KOLKATA

In the intervening night between day one and day two of the first India versus South Africa Test at the Eden Gardens here, one could be forgiven for being queasily apprehensive as to how the pitch would behave on the second morning.

Friday was part up and down, and part sedate, nudging curious onlookers to hold back their assessments and reserve their judgement until further notice.

But on Saturday, one of India's most hallowed turfs reared its head like a fire-breathing monster and burnt down nearly everything in sight.

Fifteen wickets fell; only 245 runs were scored and the home skipper Shubman Gill, much to the disappointment of the 40,000-odd fans, grimaced in pain because of neck spasms, retired hurt and never returned.

While it is true that not all scalps could be attributed to the capricious 22-yard strip – and definitely not Gill's misfortune, for he was confirmed to have woken up with a stiff neck – the spiteful conduct and inconsistent bounce sowed enough seeds of doubts in the batters' minds to trigger a shift in behaviour and result in an avalanche of wickets.

From its overnight 37 for one, India folded for 189, with offie Simon Harmer taking four wickets (15.2-4-30-4).

Trailing by 30, the away team reached 93 for seven by stumps. Captain Temba Bavuma remained unbeaten on 29 (78b, 3x4), a solid, creditable effort considering the chaos around him. If South Africa manages to double the current 63-run lead, India will need to come up with the highest winning fourth-innings total at this venue, for the previous best is the 117-run target the home team successfully pursued in November 2004, also against the Proteas.

For that, South Africa needs a silent period on Sunday morning, akin to the one India had 24 hours prior. K.L. Rahul (39, 119b, 4x4, 1x6) and Washington Sundar (29, 82b, 2x4, 1x6) were extremely watchful and it took until the ninth over of the day for the most authoritative shot to arrive – a clipped four to the mid-wicket fence by Washington off Marco Jansen.

But after having safely negotiated the first hour, India was caught in a web spun by Harmer.

He catalysed the slide after having Washington caught at slip, and even as his more illustrious spin partner Keshav Maharaj leaked runs – 58 from the 11 overs – the off-spinner was at his miserly and accurate best.

He bowled an uninterrupted spell of just over 14 overs on either side of lunch (14.2-3-30-4), and his most memorable wicket will be of the in-form Dhruv Jurel, whom he caught superbly off his own bowling (14, 14b, 3x4).

Prized wicket

The dangerous Rishabh Pant whacked Maharaj for a couple of sixes (27, 24b, 2x4, 2x6) but could only loop the ball into wicket-keeper Kyle Verreynne's hands when speedster Corbin Bosch cramped him for a pull.

Important contributions from Ravindra Jadeja (27, 45b, 3x4) and Axar Patel (16, 45b, 2x4) ensured a lead, and the duo returned to dismiss five of the seven South African batters in the second essay. Aiden Markram and Tony de Zorzi were caught at short-leg, Tristan Stubbs and Verreynne bowled and Wiaan Mulder snapped up by Pant.

In fact, as early as the third over, a ball from Jasprit Bumrah to Ryan Rickelton scooted low and the very next delivery rose and hit the batter on the rib. Sunday isn't expected to be better and therein lies the challenge.

Wrecker-in-chief: Jadeja tormented the South African batters with his accuracy and subtle variations in their second essay. K.R. DEEPAK

SCOREBOARD

SOUTH AFRICA — 1ST INNINGS
159 in 55 overs.

INDIA — 1ST INNINGS
Yashasvi Jaiswal b Jansen 12 (*27b, 3x4*), K.L. Rahul c Markram b Maharaj 39 (*119b, 4x4, 1x6*), Washington Sundar c Markram b Harmer 29 (*82b, 2x4, 1x6*), Shubman Gill (retd. hurt) 4 (*3b, 1x4*), Rishabh Pant c Verreynne b Bosch 27 (*24b, 2x4, 2x6*), Ravindra Jadeja lbw b Harmer 27 (*45b, 3x4*), Dhruv Jurel c & b Harmer 14 (*14b, 3x4*), Axar Patel c Jansen b Harmer 16 (*45b, 2x4*), Kuldeep Yadav c Verreynne b Jansen 1 (8b), Mohammed Siraj b Jansen 1 (*9b*), Jasprit Bumrah (not out) 1 (*3b*); Extras (b-9, lb-2, nb-5, w-2): 18; Total (in 62.2 overs): 189.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-18 (Jaiswal, 6.6 overs), 2-75 (Washington, 34.2), 3-109 (Rahul, 39.5), 4-132 (Pant, 43.4), 5-153 (Jurel, 48.3), 6-171 (Jadeja, 54.3), 7-172 (Kuldeep, 55.5), 8-187 (Siraj, 59.6), 9-189 (Axar, 62.2).

SOUTH AFRICA BOWLING
Jansen 15-4-35-3, Mulder 5-1-15-0, Maharaj 16-1-66-1, Bosch 11-4-32-1, Harmer 15.2-4-30-4.

SOUTH AFRICA — 2ND INNINGS
Ryan Rickelton lbw b Kuldeep 11 (*23b, 1x4*), Aiden Markram c Jurel b Jadeja 4 (*23b*), Wiaan Mulder c Pant b Jadeja 11 (*30b, 1x4*), Temba Bavuma (batting) 29 (*78b, 3x4*), Tony de Zorzi c Jurel Jadeja 2 (*2b*), Tristan Stubbs b Jadeja 5 (*18b*), Kyle Verreynne b Axar 9 (*16b, 1x4*), Marco Jansen c Rahul b Kuldeep 13 (*16b, 1x6*), Corbin Bosch (batting) 1 (*4b*); Extras (lb-8): 8; Total (for seven wkts. in 35 overs): 93.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-18 (Rickelton, 6.4), 2-25 (Markram, 8.2), 3-38 (Mulder, 16.3), 4-40 (de Zorzi, 16.5), 5-60 (Stubbs, 22.6), 6-75 (Verreynne, 27.5), 7-91 (Jansen, 33.6).

INDIA BOWLING
Bumrah 6-1-14-0, Axar 11-0-30-1, Kuldeep 5-1-12-2, Jadeja 13-3-29-4.

'Didn't expect the wicket to deteriorate so quickly'

N. Sudarshan
KOLKATA

India bowling coach Morne Morkel expressed his surprise at the way the Eden Gardens pitch deteriorated on day two of the first Test between India and South Africa.

"To be honest, even we didn't expect the wicket to deteriorate so quickly," Morkel said after Saturday's play wherein 15 wickets fell. "Looking at it the day before the game, the morning of the game and after the first couple of overs, I thought this was a good wicket. So, it's a bit unexpected."

"But that's the beauty of playing in the sub-continent. You need to adapt quickly. We want to play to our strengths; saying that, we have got quality with both seam and spin. We have covered our bases."

The South African stated that leading into the contest the team management thought its bowling attack would have a lot of heavy-lifting to do, quite contrary to how things have unfolded.

"The conversation leading up to the game was that there's going to be a good wicket and a lot of hard work for us," Morkel quipped. "We planned and focused more on how we were going to target the South African batting line-up.

"We sort of took the conditions out of the equation and said that we will adapt, play it by session by session. We definitely thought it was going to be a good wicket and deteriorate as the match went on."

We have belief we can pull it back: Harmer

N. Sudarshan
KOLKATA

Spinners are said to have long gestation periods. More than gestation, it is a lifelong continuum where they continuously evolve. For South Africa's Simon Harmer, this has been the nearly 11-year-long window between his Test debut and the latest match at the Eden Gardens here.

But astonishingly, the Kolkata contest is only the 13th of his career. Long years as a Kolpak player - a system which allowed South Africans to play in English counties as domestic talents but barred them from representing the Proteas' National team - and the rise of Keshav Maharaj to the frontline had held him back. On Saturday though, Harmer dipped into his vast experience - he had 1000 First Class wickets coming into the tie - to come up with fine numbers of 15.2-4-30-4.

Harmer, in fact, toured India in late 2015, a four-Test series India won 3-0. The offie played in Mohali and Nagpur, and watched R. Ashwin and Jadeja wreak havoc as the India spin duo finished the series with 31 and 23 wickets respectively.

"I was quite new to Test cricket [then]," Harmer said. "Ashwin was bowling like a jet and it was the expectation that I needed to do the same. When I got dropped in 2015 was when I realised that I wasn't good enough."

"[But] I'm a lot more confident [now]. I don't have as many doubts and feel like I have the skill-set to compete. Whether or not it goes my way is sometimes the luck of the draw, but as long as I can say that I put a good amount of balls in the right area, I can be happy."

True to those words, the 36-year-old has done a lot right in recent times. In Pakistan last month, with his maiden five-for in Tests (6/50), he fashioned a series-levelling win for SA. Harmer remains confident of another positive result in Kolkata, despite the lead being just 63 runs.

"The pitch is going to do enough. It's about making sure you're putting as many balls in the right areas. We have the belief that we can pull ourselves back".

Confident: Harmer admitted he has the skillset to compete at the highest level. K.R. DEEPAK

'Need to make winning a habit'

Vivek Krishnan
COIMBATORE

Two weeks since producing the performance that has given Indian women's cricket its epoch-defining moment, Shafali Verma is letting the tag of world champion gradually sink in.

In the ODI Women's World Cup final against South Africa at the D.Y. Patil Stadium on November 2, the 21-year-old opener smashed 87 and took two key wickets with her part-time spin to help clinch a storied 52-run win. It was a remarkable turn of events for someone who had been viewing India's World Cup campaign from a distance until Pratika Rawal's ill-fated ankle injury in the final game of the round-robin stage against Bangladesh.

Shafali. EMMANUAL YOGINI

"It is very special to be world champion. It is sinking in slowly and steadily," Shafali told the *The Hindu* in a virtual interaction organised by JSW Sports on Saturday.

"When I had started playing cricket, I had done so with the aim of winning the World Cup one day. Now that we have achieved it, we have to make a habit of this. We have to keep winning."

Before making a comeback against Australia in the last-four stage, the player from Rohtak had been out of India's One-Day set-up for a year due to indifferent form. The time away allowed Shafali to work on her shortcomings.

"In the final, I was trying to play the ball along the ground as much as possible. That was something I have been trying to work on for the past one year. I can pat myself on the back and tell myself I have done well. But I don't want to stop. I have to keep going."

Slovenia outclasses India to top the group

BJK CUP

Ashwin Achal
BENGALURU

For brief periods, the crowd at the S.M. Krishna Tennis Stadium here started to believe in the impossible. But in the end, the reality of Slovenia's superior class became apparent.

Slovenia, led by Tamara Zidansek and Kaja Juvan, guided the visitor to a 2-1 win over India in the Billie Jean King Cup play-offs on Saturday. With two straight victories in two days, Slovenia topped the group and advanced to the Qualifiers round.

The action began with a spirited performance from India number two Shrivalli Bhamidipaty, who managed to stretch 2021 French Open semifinalist Zidansek to three sets. Zidansek was dominant in the first set, helped by Shrivalli's struggles with early nerves.

Sealing it: Juvan eased past Sahaja to send Slovenia into the Qualifiers round. K. MURALI KUMAR

Shrivalli found her service rhythm to hit top gear in the second set. The fans and her teammates on the sidelines were out of their seats with excitement, as Shrivalli stepped in and cleaned up all weak returns from Zidansek.

Shrivalli, the World No. 381, buried Zidansek under a barrage of forehand winners to force a decider. The third set started with loud chants supporting India, but Zidansek was determined to spoil the party.

It was now Zidansek's turn to hit the right spots on her serve and her confidence grew as she held serve easily. After two hours and 19 minutes, it was 1-0 to Slovenia.

World No. 309 Sahaja Yamalapalli, in contrast to Shrivalli, went for her shots from the first point. There was fire in her groundstrokes, which took Juvan (World No. 98) by surprise. Once again, home hopes soared when Sahaja consistently kept the ball deep in Juvan's baseline. Sahaja closed in and dispatched the moon balls with confident volleys, staying in the contest at 4-4.

A few errors, however, crept into Sahaja's game and the fizz was lost. The athletic Juvan frustrated Sahaja by retrieving the ball from all corners of the court, and used clever drop shots to catch Sahaja off guard. Sahaja went into a shell in the second set, and Juvan sailed through in straight sets.

Ankita Raina and Prarthana Thombare gave India a consolation win in the doubles.

The result: Slovenia bt India 2-1 (Tamara Zidansek bt Shrivalli Bhamidipaty 6-3, 4-6, 6-1; Kaja Juvan bt Sahaja Yamalapalli 6-4, 6-2; Dalila Jakupovic/Nika Radisic lost to Ankita Raina/Prarthana Thombare 1-6, 6-3, 7-10).

Royals, Super Kings complete Samson-Jadeja trade

The Rajasthan franchise also gets Curran in exchange for the captain; Knight Riders release Venkatesh, Russell and Nortje; Royal Challengers let go Livingstone; MI has a purse of just ₹2.75 crore left

IPL

Amol Karhadkar
MUMBAI

For Jadeja – a breakout performer for RR in IPL's early years before becoming synonymous with CSK since 2012 – the move marks a dramatic shift. RR, it is learnt, is also exploring him as a captaincy option

High-profile swaps, the release of expensive assets and a clear shift towards phasing out ageing stars emerged as the dominant themes at the end of the Indian Premier League's player-retention deadline on Saturday.

The day began with confirmation of two significant trades: the much-anticipated Ravindra Jadeja-Sanju Samson swap between Chennai Super Kings (CSK) and Rajasthan Royals (RR), and Mohammed Shami's all-cash transfer from Sunrisers Hyderabad to Lucknow Super Giants (LSG).

Sweeping changes

By late afternoon, once teams submitted their retention lists, it became clear that both CSK and Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) – coming off disappointing IPL 2025 campaigns – had opted for sweeping changes.

CSK, having traded out Jadeja (₹14 crore) and Sam Curran (₹2.40 crore) in exchange for Samson (₹18 crore), proceeded to release a string of Indian and overseas names to build a sizeable auction purse of ₹43.40 crore for the December 16 auction in Abu Dhabi. Among the notable exits were Matheesha Pathirana (₹13 crore), New Zealand opener Devon Conway (₹6.25 crore) and India internationals Rahul Tripathi (₹3.40 crore) and Deepak Hooda (₹1.70 crore).

KKR went even further, freeing up an enormous ₹64.30 crore. Its major releases included Venkatesh Iyer (₹23.75 crore), Andre Russell (₹12 crore) and Anrich Nortje (₹6.50 crore). While uncertainty remains over Russell's long-term future with the franchise, *The Hindu* understands that releasing Venkatesh was primarily aimed at price correction and enhancing auction flexibility rather than signalling the end of the road for the left-handed batter.

RCB retains core group

Defending champion Royal Challengers Bengaluru retained its core group, but let go of Liam Livingstone, while runner-up Punjab Kings moved on from veteran Glenn Maxwell and wicketkeeper-batter Josh Inglis.

Mumbai Indians, having traded in Shardul Thakur and Sherfane Rutherford from LSG and Gujarat Titans, respectively, will be the quietest participant at the mini-auction with a remaining purse of just ₹2.75 crore.

The most-talked development, however, remained the Jadeja-Samson trade. Samson, who has been central to RR's identity since debuting in 2013, had expressed a desire for a fresh start during preseason discussions.

Despite interest from three other teams, RR eventually accepted CSK's proposal featuring Jadeja.

For Jadeja – a breakout performer for RR in the IPL's early years before becoming synonymous with CSK since 2012 – the move marks a dramatic shift. RR, it is learnt, is also exploring him as a captaincy option. The franchise had initially sought Dewald Brevis along with Jadeja, but ultimately finalised the deal with Curran's all-round value completing the swap.

The rejig

The 10 IPL teams announced on Saturday the list of players they had retained, released and traded. The mini-auction for the 2026 edition of the tournament will be held in Abu Dhabi on December 16.

TATA IPL AUCTION 2026

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS

SAMSON

RETAINED: Ruturaj Gaikwad, Ayush Mhatre, M.S. Dhoni, Dewald Brevis, Urvil Patel, Shivam Dube, Jamie Overton, Ramakrishna Ghosh, Noor Ahmad, Khaleel Ahmed, Anshul Kamboj, Gurjapneet Singh, Shreyas Gopal, Mukesh Choudhary, Nathan Ellis

RELEASED: Rahul Tripathi, Vansh Bedi, Andre Siddarth, Rachin Ravindra, Devon Conway, Vijay Shankar, Shaik Rasheed, Kamlesh Nagarkoti, Matheesha Pathirana, Deepak Hooda

Traded: IN **Sanju Samson** (from RR)
OUT Ravindra Jadeja and Sam Curran (to RR)

Slots remaining
9 (4 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹43.40 cr.

DELHI CAPITALS

RANA

RETAINED: Axar Patel, K.L. Rahul, Karun Nair, Abishek Porel, Tristan Stubbs, Sameer Rizvi, Ashutosh Sharma, Vipraj Nigam, Ajay Mandal, Tripurana Vijay, Madhav Tiwari, Mitchell Starc, T. Natarajan, Mukesh Kumar, Dushmantha Chameera, Kuldeep Yadav

RELEASED: Faf du Plessis, Jake Fraser-McGurk, Sediqullah Atal, Manvanth Kumar, Mohit Sharma, Darshan Nalkande

Traded:
IN **Nitish Rana** (from RR)
OUT Donovan Ferreira (to RR)

Slots remaining
8 (5 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹21.80 cr.

GUJARAT TITANS

RUTHERFORD

RETAINED: Shubman Gill, Sai Sudharsan, Kumar Kushagra, Anuj Rawat, Jos Buttler, Nishant Sindhu, Washington Sundar, Arshad Khan, Shahrukh Khan, Rahul Tewatia, Kagiso Rabada, Mohammed Siraj, Prasidh Krishna, Ishant Sharma, Gurnoor Singh Brar, Rashid Khan, Manav Suthar, Sai Kishore, Jayant Yadav, Glenn Phillips

RELEASED: Mahipal Lomror, Karim Janat, Dasun Shanaka, Gerald Coetzee, Kulwant Khejroliya

Traded: OUT **Sherfane Rutherford** (to MI)

Slots remaining
5 (4 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹12.90 cr.

KOLKATA KNIGHT RIDERS

VENKATESH

RETAINED: Ajinkya Rahane, Angkrish Raghuvanshi, Anukul Roy, Harshit Rana, Manish Pandey, Ramandeep Singh, Rinku Singh, Rovman Powell, Sunil Narine, Umran Malik, Vaibhav Arora, Varun Chakaravarthy

RELEASED: Andre Russell, Anrich Nortje, Chetan Sakariya, Luvnith Sisodia, Moeen Ali, Quinton de Kock, Rahmanullah Gurbaz, Spencer Johnson, **Venkatesh Iyer**

Traded:
OUT Mayank Markande (to MI)

Slots remaining
13 (6 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹64.30 cr.

LUCKNOW SUPER GIANTS

SHAMI

RETAINED: Rishabh Pant, Nicholas Pooran, Mitchell Marsh, Aiden Markram, Abdul Samad, Himmat Singh, Matthew Breetzke, Digvesh Rathi, Avesh Khan, Akash Singh, Prince Yadav, M Siddharth, Mohsin Khan, Mayank Yadav, Shahbaz Ahamad, Arshin Kulkarni, Ayush Badoni

RELEASED: Aryan Juyal, David Miller, Yuvraj Chaudhary, Rajvardhan Hangargekar, Akash Deep, Ravi Bishnoi, Shamar Joseph

Traded: IN **Mohammed Shami** (from SRH), Arjun Tendulkar (from MI)
OUT Shardul Thakur (to MI)

Slots remaining
6 (4 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹22.95 cr.

MUMBAI INDIANS

SHARDUL

RETAINED: Hardik Pandya, Rohit Sharma, Suryakumar Yadav, Tilak Varma, Ryan Rickelton, Robin Minz, Mitchell Santner, Corbin Bosch, Naman Dhir, Jasprit Bumrah, Trent Boult, Allah Ghafanzar, Ashwani Kumar, Deepak Chahar, Will Jacks, Raj Bawa, Raghu Sharma

RELEASED: Satyanarayana Raju, Reece Topley, K.L. Shrijith, Karn Sharma, Bevon Jacobs, Mujeeb ur Rahman, Lizaad Williams, Vignesh Puthur

Traded: IN Sherfane Rutherford (from GT), **Shardul Thakur** (from LSG), Mayank Markande (from KKR)
OUT Arjun Tendulkar (to LSG)

Slots remaining
5 (1 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹2.75 cr.

PUNJAB KINGS

MAXWELL

RETAINED: Shreyas Iyer, Prabhsimran Singh, Priyansh Arya, Shashank Singh, Nehal Wadhera, Marcus Stoinis, Azmatullah Omarzai, Marco Jansen, Harpreet Brar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Arshdeep Singh, Musheer Khan, Pyala Avinash, Harnoor Pannu, Suryansh Shedge, Mitchell Owen, Xavier Bartlett, Lockie Ferguson, Vyshak Vijaykumar, Yash Thakur, Vishnu Vinod

RELEASED: Glenn Maxwell, Josh Inglis, Aaron Hardie, Kuldeep Sen, Praveen Dubey

Slots remaining
4 (2 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹11.50 cr.

RAJASTHAN ROYALS

JADEJA

RETAINED: Dhruv Jurel, Jofra Archer, Kwena Maphaka, Lhuan-dre Pretorius, Nandre Burger, Riyan Parag, Sandeep Sharma, Shimron Hetmyer, Shubham Dubey, Tushar Deshpande, Vaibhav Suryavanshi, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Yudhvir Singh

RELEASED: Kunal Singh Rathore, Akash Madhwal, Ashok Sharma, Fazalhaq Farooqi, Kumar Kartikeya, Wanindu Hasaranga, Maheesh Theekshana

Traded: IN **Ravindra Jadeja** and Sam Curran (from CSK), Donovan Ferreira (from DC); OUT Sanju Samson (to CSK), Nitish Rana (to DC)

Slots remaining
9 (1 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹16.05 cr.

ROYAL CHALLENGERS BENGALURU

LIVINGSTONE

RETAINED: Rajat Patidar, Virat Kohli, Devdutt Padikkal, Phil Salt, Jitesh Sharma, Krunal Pandya, Swapnil Singh, Tim David, Romario Shepherd, Jacob Bethell, Josh Hazlewood, Yash Dayal, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Nuwan Thushara, Rasikh Salam, Abhinandan Singh, Suyash Sharma

RELEASED: Swastik Chikara, Mayank Agarwal, **Liam Livingstone,** Manoj Bhandage, Lungi Ngidi, Mohit Rathee

Slots remaining
8 (2 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹16.40 cr.

SUNRISERS HYDERABAD

ZAMPA

RETAINED: Pat Cummins, Travis Head, Abhishek Sharma, Aniket Verma, R. Smaran, Ishan Kishan, Heinrich Klaasen, Nitish Kumar Reddy, Harsh Dubey, Kamindu Mendis, Harshal Patel, Brydon Carse, Jaydev Unadkat, Eshan Malinga, Zeeshan Ansari

RELEASED: Adam Zampa, Rahul Chahar, Wiaan Mulder, Abhinav Manohar, Atharva Taide, Sachin Baby, Simarjeet Singh

Traded:
OUT Mohammed Shami (to LSG)

Slots remaining
10 (2 overseas)

Purse remaining
₹25.50 cr.

> A transition in a team's journey is never easy. Trading out a player like Jadeja, who has been an integral part of the franchise for more than a decade, and Curran was one of the toughest decisions we have taken in the team's history. We also welcome Samson, whose skillset and achievements complement our ambitions. This decision has been made with great thought, respect, and a long-term vision
>
> **K.S. VISWANATHAN**
> Managing Director, CSK

> I want it to be clear, it wasn't a trade for Jadeja. It was a trade for Jadeja and Curran, so we mustn't forget the other component. Jaddu reached out to me about four weeks ago to say that he was really excited about the potential to "come home", as he described it, where he started his IPL career
>
> **MANOJ BADALE**
> Lead owner, RR

> We will be aggressively looking to secure high-quality overseas players in the auction, players who perfectly plug the defined gaps
>
> **RICKY PONTING**
> Head coach, PBKS

> Last season had its highs and lows. We know the areas that need strengthening and the auction will allow us to make fine adjustments around the group we have retained
>
> **HEMANG BADANI**
> Head coach, DC

Happy headache: Skipper Tilak has plenty of options to choose from. VIJAY SONEJI

An opportunity for SA-A to regroup

Sahil Mathur
RAJKOT

The modern game's shift toward all-out intent was clear in India-A's final training session. On the eve of the second One-Day game against South Africa-A at the Niranjan Shah Stadium, Ishan Kishan, Nitish Kumar Reddy, and Tilak Varma sent the ball flying into the stands within minutes of their batting stints.

But India-A isn't a one-dimensional unit. Ruturaj Gaikwad's ton in the first game underlined the value of adapting to conditions.

South Africa-A, on the other hand, enters the contest knowing it has competed hard all tour, even if decisive moments have gone India-A's way. What hurt the visitor was the top-order collapse and a few fielding lapses. Captain Marques Ackerman had already acknowledged his side's inexperience in Indian conditions, and the first game reinforced that. Another issue was the lack of planning: the bowlers rarely used bouncers - despite having fielders back - or mixed in enough slower ones, making their spells predictable.

Still, the team has options to regroup.

India-A, by contrast, is managing a problem of plenty. Tilak Varma-led side could afford to bench Ayush Badoni and Prabhsimran Singh, and any changes are likely to be rotational. Sunday will reveal whether the visitor can stitch together a complete performance it has threatened all tour, or if India-A's depth keeps it in control.

Arjun outwits Aronian to move into the quarterfinals

CHESS WORLD CUP

P.K. Ajith Kumar
ARPORA (GOA)

Keeping cool: Arjun prevailed over Aronian in a tight contest. FIDE

At the closing ceremony of the Tata Steel Chess India tournament in Kolkata in 2021, Levon Aronian, after edging out Arjun Erigaisi in the tie-breaks to win the rapid title, joked that his younger rival, though very strong chess-wise, wasn't physically strong enough to carry two trophies. Arjun had won the blitz, and that tournament was the breakthrough of his career.

Aronian, the genial Armenian-born American Grandmaster who loves many things Indian including Satyajit Ray films, had, in fact, picked Arjun as the brightest of the bright Indian teenagers. On Friday at Resort Rio here, he went down to his younger rival in the fifth round of the Chess World Cup.

The second-seeded Arjun thus moved into the quarterfinals, beating two-time champion Aronian 1.5-0.5. The two men have probably looked the two most solid players here, and their first game was drawn.

The other Indian remaining in the tournament, P. Harikrishna drew with his Mexican rival Jose Martinez Alcantara, and they will face off in Sunday's tie-breaks. Out of the eight matches, four, in fact, have gone into the third day.

Apart from Arjun, three men have reached the last eight without playing the tie-breaks. Javokhir Sindarov of Uzbekistan, who was the lone winner in the first game among all the players, had required only a draw from his German rival Frederik Svane, and he got that in 47 moves from the black side of a Spanish Game.

The other Uzbek, Nodirbek Yakubboev, and seventh seed Wei Yi of China won with white pieces against Gabriel Sargissian of Armenia and Samuel Sevian of the United States, respectively.

Wei will face Arjun in the quarterfinal, starting on Monday. After winning in 38 moves from the black side of an Italian Game against Aronian, the 22-year-old from Warangal said he had rejected the offer of a draw. Before long, Aronian blundered fatally with his rook.

The results (fifth round): Levon Aronian (Arm) 0.5 lost to Arjun Erigaisi 1.5; P. Harikrishna 1 drew with Jose Martinez Alcantara (Mex) 1; Nodirbek Yakubboev (Uzb) 1.5 bt Gabriel Sargissian (Arm) 0.5; Le Quang Liem (Vie) 1 drew with Alexander Donchenko (Ger) 1; Aleksey Grebnev (Rus) 1 drew with Andrey Esipenko (Rus) 1; Daniil Dubov (Rus) 1drew with Sam Shankland (USA) 1; Wei Yi (Chn) 1.5 bt Samuel Sevian (USA) 0.5; Frederik Svane (Ger) 0.5 drew with Javokhir Sindarov (Uzb) 1.5.

Sinner. REUTERS

Stellar Sinner lords over de Minaur, enters final

ATP FINALS

Agence France-Presse
TURIN

Jannik Sinner continued his mastery over Alex de Minaur with a straight-sets win on Saturday to reach the ATP Finals championship match for the third year in a row.

Sinner broke late in the first set and then pulled away from de Minaur to complete a 7-5, 6-2 win – his 13th in as many meetings with the Australian.

The Italian World No. 2 has yet to drop a service game en route to the final. He will try to defend his title on Sunday against top-ranked Carlos Alcaraz or Felix Auger-Aliassime, who got the better of Alexander Zverev.

Other result: Group Stage: Auger-Aliassime bt Zverev 6-4, 7-6(4).

Crucial points at stake as elite pugilists gear up

WBCF

Y.B. Sarangi
GREATER NOIDA

Ahead of a busy 2026 calendar, studded with the Commonwealth Games and Asian Games, Indian boxers will look to accumulate valuable ranking points as the World Boxing Cup Finals (WBCF) begins at the Shaheed Vijay Singh Pathik Indoor Stadium here on Sunday with a depleted field due to last-minute pull-outs.

Points gathered at the year-ending event will help the boxers, who will carry 75% of this year's accumulation to 2026, improve their rankings and get better seeding in competitions. A gold winner will gain 300 points, a silver medallist 200 and a bronze medallist 150 points.

Nevertheless, the WBCF will feature top names, including World champions Agata Kaczmarska (80kg) of Poland and Huang Hsiao Wen (54kg) and Paris Olympics medallist Wu Shih-yi of Taiwan and Italy's World Boxing Cup gold medallist Attrattivo Salvatore, in a field of 120-plus boxers from 17 countries.

Featuring World champions Minakshi Hooda (48kg) and Jaismine Lamboria (57kg), former World champions Nikhat Zareen (51kg) and Saweety Boora (75kg), current silver medallist Nupur Sheoran (80+kg) and bronze medallist Pooja Rani (80kg), India has selected a strong women's team.

Nikhat. FILE PHOTO

Eight Indian women - including Pooja (who entered the final with a bye) and Parveen Hooda (who is making a comeback in 60kg after serving a suspension for a whereabouts failure) - are starting from medal rounds. Minakshi (48kg) and Preeti Pawar (54kg) begin their campaign from quarterfinals. Tokyo Olympics bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain opted to skip the event to protect her nose following some treatment.

Among men, Sachin Siwach (60kg), Abinash Jamwal (65kg) and Jugnoo (85kg) have been assured of medals as they begin from the semifinals. Working on his movement and jabs, Asian Games medallist Narender Berwal (90+kg) would like to test himself.

INBRIEF

Thomas undergoes back surgery, to miss start of 2026

Golfer Justin Thomas is recovering from back surgery for a herniated disk, which he said on Friday will forced him to miss the start of next season with no rush to return until he is fully ready. "It's a bummer, but I don't want to have this stuff bother me the rest of my life," Thomas said from New York, where he had the surgery on his lower back on Thursday. He added he could be playing golf in two months, but this is a recovery he's going to take slowly to make sure he doesn't return too soon. Thomas, 32, has won 16 times on the PGA Tour, including two PGA Championship titles.

Lakshya loses to Nishimoto, bows out of Japan Masters

Lakshya Sen saw his fine run snapped after a draining three-game semifinal defeat to Japan's World No. 13 Kenta Nishimoto at the $475,000 Kumamoto Masters Japan badminton in Kumamoto, on Saturday. Seventh seed Lakshya lost 19-21, 21-14, 12-21 to the sixth-seeded Nishimoto in 77 minutes.

Indian shooters have an underwhelming day

Gurpreet Singh was the best Indian in action on Saturday at the ISSF World Championships in Cairo, with a ninth-place finish in the 25m standard pistol, a non-Olympic event. Gurpreet was tied on 571 with Kevin Chapon of France, but finished lower due to fewer inner ten shots. Rajkanwar Singh Sandhu and Udayveer Sidhu were placed 23rd and 24th. The trio was fifth in the team event. Among women, Parisha Gupta finished 10th with 556-11x, Shikha Chaudhary was 12th (555) and Agam Grewal was 19th (547). The team finished fourth, narrowly missing out on a bronze to Turkiye by a single point.

LIVE TELECAST

NZ vs WI: 1st ODI, Sony Sports Ten 1 & LIV, 6.30 a.m.
Ranji Trophy: JioHotstar, 9.30 a.m.
India vs South Africa: 1st Test, day 3, Star Sports 2 & JioHotstar, 9.30 a.m
Asia Cup Rising Stars: Sony Sports Ten 1 & LIV, 3 p.m.;
India-A vs Pakistan Shaheens, 8 p.m.
Chess: World Cup, FIDE YouTube Channel, 3 p.m.
Football: European WC Qualifiers: Sony Sports Ten 2, 3, 5 & LIV, 7,30, 10.30 p.m. & 1.15 a.m. (Monday)

Karnataka out to test misfiring Chandigarh

Visiting skipper Vohra wants batters to absorb pressure and put runs on the board; Mayank wants his team to sustain momentum and capitalise on home advantage

RANJI TROPHY

S. Prasanna Venkatesan
HUBBALLI

Exactly 21 months ago, Chandigarh faced Karnataka for the first time in the Ranji Trophy at the KSCA Stadium here and managed to salvage a draw despite conceding the first-innings lead.

Now, as Chandigarh returns to the same venue for its Elite Group-B fifth-round clash starting on Sunday, it finds itself grappling with the same issue it encountered in that match - an underperforming batting unit.

On Saturday, captain Manan Vohra identified it as the "major factor" behind his team's dismal season so far. Three losses, coupled with the inability to obtain a first-innings lead in another fixture, have consigned Chandigarh to the bottom of the points table.

"We haven't been able to turn things around with the bat, so individuals need to step up. If a couple of players can get those big scores, then the team will automatically get to that 400 mark. That's what we're looking to do in this game - just bat long and score those runs," said Vohra.

"We just need to go out there and back ourselves a little more. To win a four-day game, you have to play every session with the same intensity.

"At times, when the team isn't doing well, we retreat and let the pressure affect us. If we can absorb that pressure individually at the right moments and deliver, I think the team will be in a good place," he added.

Karnataka, conversely, presents a well-balanced unit with strengths in both departments.

Karun Nair, Ravichandran Smaran, Abhinav Manohar, and skipper Mayank Agarwal have all been among the runs.

Pacers Vidwath Kaverappa and Mohsin Khan have been effective with the ball, while leg-spinner Shreyas Gopal has added further depth with his superb all-round form.

"As a team, we're doing really well, and we want to carry that momentum into this game. We're playing at home, and that gives us a bit of an advantage," said Mayank.

Purple patch: Mayank-led Karnataka batting line-up has been impressive. FILE PHOTO: EMMANUAL YOGINI

RANJI SCHEDULE — FIFTH ROUND

Elite: Group A: Jharkhand vs. Andhra (Jamshedpur), Odisha vs. Nagaland (Bhubaneswar), Tamil Nadu vs. Uttar Pradesh (Coimbatore), Vidarbha vs. Baroda (Nagpur).
Group B: Punjab vs. Maharashtra (New Chandigarh), Saurashtra vs. Goa (Rajkot), Madhya Pradesh vs. Kerala (Indore), Karnataka vs. Chandigarh (Hubballi).
Group C: Bengal vs. Assam (Kalyani), Railways vs. Tripura (Valsad), Uttarakhand vs. Gujarat (Dehradun), Haryana vs. Services (Lahli).
Group D: Mumbai vs. Pondicherry (Mumbai), Himachal Pradesh vs. Chhattisgarh (Nadaun), Jammu & Kashmir vs. Hyderabad (Jammu), Rajasthan vs. Delhi (Rajsamand).
Plate:
Bihar vs. Mizoram (Patna), Manipur vs. Meghalaya (Surat), Sikkim vs. Arunachal Pradesh (Rangpo).

KARNATAKA ROUND-UP

Harshil stars for Karnataka in win over Tamil Nadu

Harshil Dharmani's 142 laid the foundation for Karnataka's 53-run win over Tamil Nadu in the BCCI men's under-23 (State 'A' Trophy) one-day match in Jaipur on Saturday.

For TN, pacer G. Govinth scalped five wickets.

The scores: Karnataka 291/9 in 50 overs (Harshil Dharmani 142, L. Manvanth Kumar 41, G. Govinth 5/46) bt Tamil Nadu 238 in 44.2 overs (S.R. Athish 63, R.K. Jayant 31, Sunny Sandhu 36, Yashovardhan Parantap 3/47).

Dhruvh, Mehul share day's honours

Sports Bureau
COIMBATORE

Dhruvh Goswami (MSport) and Mehul Agarwal (Dark Don Racing) shared a race win each in the LGB Formula 4 class of the 28th JK Tyre - FMSCI National Racing Championship at the Kari Motor Speedway here on Saturday.

With a double podium finish, Dhruvh may well spring a surprise on championship leader T.S. Diljith of Dark Don Racing going into the final day.

The results (provisional):
Levitas Cup: Race 1 (10 laps): 1. Sidharth Balasundaram 14:32.727s; 2. Jai Prashant Venkat 14:53.680; 3. S. Vinod 14:59.745. **Race 2:** 1. Jai Prashant Venkat 14:30.848; 2. Sidharth Balasundaram 14:31.491; 3. A.R. Nitin 14:46.828.
Novice Cup: Race 1 (10 laps): 1. Bhuvan Bonu (MSport) 13:57.813s; 2. Lokithlingeash Ravi (DTS Racing) 13:59.863; 3. Abhijit Vadavalli (Momentum Motorsports) 14:00.429. **Race 2:** 1. Bhuvam Bonu 14:07.700; 2. Avi Malavalli 14:09.755; 3. OJas Surve (Momentum Motorsports) 14:12.130.
LGB Formula 4: Race 1 (15 laps): 1. Dhruvh Goswami (MSport) 19:58.578; 2. Ruhaan Alva (MSport) 19:59.261; 3. T.S. Diljith (Dark Don Racing) 20:00.012. **Race 2 (15 laps):** 1. Mehul Agarwal (Dark Don Racing, Kolkata) 24:20.393; 2. Dhruvh Goswami 24:20.551; 3. Ruhaan Alva 24:20.812.
F4 Indian: Race 1 (25:00 & 1 lap): 1. Sachel Rotge (Kichcha's Kings Bengaluru) 26:50.931; 2. Ghazi Motlekar (Kolkata Royal Tigers, Mozambique) 26:56.598; 3. Shane Chandaria (Chennai Turbo Riders, Kenya) 26:57.794.
Royal Enfield Continental GT Cup: Race 1: (10 laps): 1. Anish D. Shetty 14:02.338; 2. Navaneeth Kumar 14:02.667; 3. Kayan Zubin Patel 14:05.996.

Croatia heads to the FIFA World Cup

Stretching a leg: Musa scores Croatia's second against Faroe Islands. AP

Agence France-Presse
PARIS

Croatia booked its ticket to the 2026 World Cup in North America with an unconvincing 3-1 win over the in-form Faroe Islands on Friday as the Netherlands all but booked its spot in the finals too.

Germany's qualification hopes still rest on its final Group A match on Monday at home to Slovakia despite a Nick Woltemade brace giving it a laboured 2-0 win at Luxembourg.

Victory gave Croatia a six point lead over the Czech Republic at the top of Group L with just a single game left to play.

"For Croatia, for the fans!" a jubilant Gvardiol posted on his X account-.Memphis Depay's Dutch record-extending 55th international goal helped push the Netherlands to the brink of qualification with a 1-1 draw in Poland.

Germany needs only a point at home to Slovakia on Monday to book its ticket.

Slovakia had two goals chalked off by VAR but Tomas Bobcek struck in injury time in Kosice to snatch a 1-0 victory over Northern Ireland.

The results:
Group A: Luxembourg 0 lost to Germany 2 (Woltemade 49, 69); Slovakia 1 (Bobcek 90+1) bt Northern Ireland 0.
Group G: Finland 0 lost to Malta 1 (Grech 82); Poland 1 (Kaminski 43) drew with Netherlands 1 (Depay 47).
Group L: Croatia 3 (Gvardiol 23, Musa 57, Vlasic 70) bt Faroe Islands 1 (Turi 16); Gibraltar 1 (Jessop 20) lost to Montenegro 2 (Adzic 33, Krstovic 42-pen).

Ricardo clinches the Black Caviar Plate

BENGALURU: Arjun Mangalorkar trained Ricardo (Aleemuddin up) won the Black Caviar Plate (1,400m), the main event of the races held here on Saturday (Nov 15).

The winner is owned by Mr. Haider Soomar, M/s. Arun Alagappan Racing LLP & Mr. Chandrakanth Kankaria & Mukteshwar Racing LLP.

THE RESULTS:

1. VIDURASHWATHA PLATE (DIV. II), (1,200M): ILIA (Aleemuddin) 1, Tyaaraa (Mukesh K) 2, Higgs Boson (Angad) 3 and Agape (Sai Kiran) 4. Not run: Agrima. 1-1/4, 1-1/4 and 4-1/2. 1m 15.22s. Rs. 25 (w), 11, 15 and 12 (p), SHP: 58, THP: 46, FP: 94, Q: 108, Trinella: 189/63, Exacta: 521/268. Favourite: Higgs Boson.

Owner: Mr. S. Pathy. Trainer: Arjun Mangalorkar.

2. SHIMSHA PLATE (1,400M): ASSURANCES (Suraj) 1, Shock And Awe (Darshan) 2, Southernaristocrat (Antony) 3 and Double Scotch (Jagadeesh) 4. 2-3/4, 1/2 and 1-1/2. 1m 27.32s. Rs. 14 (w), 10, 20 and 15 (p), SHP: 51, THP: 38, FP: 54, Q: 59, Trinella: 193/95, Exacta: 741/385. Favourite: Assurances.

Owners: Arion Horse Co Pvt Ltd & So Blest Trading Co Pvt Ltd. Trainer: Rajesh Narredu.

3. HOGENAKKAL FALLS PLATE (1,600M): ADELANTO (Angad) 1, Adornment (Antony) 2, Larissa (Trevor) 3 and Larson (Jagadeesh) 4. Shd, Snk and 12-3/4. 1m 40.05s. Rs. 48 (w), 16 and 15 (p), SHP: 19, THP: 85, FP: 573, Q: 103, Trinella: 239/47, Exacta: 1,644/1,473. Favourite: Larissa.

Owner: Mrs. Rohini Thuppal. Trainer: Sriram Komandur.

4. HEBBE FALLS PLATE (1,400M): MASTER WAY (Asirvatham) 1, El Alamein (Pavan) 2, Gandolfini (Trevor) 3 and Elveden (Antony) 4. 6-3/4, 1-1/2 and Hd. 1m 26.24s. Rs. 58 (w), 15, 13 and 10 (p), SHP: 39, THP: 46, FP: 351, Q: 203, Trinella: 614/254, Exacta: 1,167/463. Favourite: Gandolfini.

Owner: Mr. M. Sridhar & M/S. Seabliss Racing LLP. Trainer: Umar Shariff S.

5. SPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA TROPHY (1,200M): FLIGHT ON (Mukesh K) 1, Small Dreams (Aleemuddin) 2, Felisa (Pavan) 3 and Baashha (S. Sachin) 4. 1-1/4, 1-1/2 and 3/4. 1m 12.54s. Rs. 27 (w), 14, 16 and 26 (p), SHP: 34, THP: 59, FP: 108, Q: 70, Trinella: 698/399, Exacta: 12,922/7,384. Favourite: Flight On.

Owners: M/s. Rapar Galloping Stars LLP rep by Mr. Rajendran, Mr. Ashok Ranpise & Mr. K. Kaliyaperumal. Trainer: Prasanna Kumar.

6. ROYAL CALCUTTA TURF CLUB CUP (1,600M): DARRINGTON (Arvind K) 1, Skagen (Trevor) 2, Prince Of Wales (Mukesh K) 3 and Supreme Success (Darshan) 4. Snk, Shd and 4-3/4. 1m 37.67s. Rs. 52 (w), 15 and 11 (p), SHP: 37, THP: 25, FP: 85, Q: 28, Trinella: 194/154, Exacta: 701/474. Favourite: Skagen.

Owners: M/s. Ajaad Stud and Livestock (OPC) Pvt Ltd rep by Dr. Kumaravel & Mr. J. Ramesh. Trainer: Irfan Ghatala.

7. BLACK CAVIAR PLATE (1,400M): RICARDO (Aleemuddin) 1, Kalamitsi (Trevor) 2, Never Give In (Antony) 3 and Sekhmet (Rayan) 4. 3-3/4, 1-1/4 and Lnk. 1m 24.08s. Rs. 106 (w), 20, 12 and 14 (p), SHP: 36, THP: 37, FP: 376, Q: 159, Trinella: 1,538/686, Exacta: 70,191. Favourite: Touch Of Grey.

Owners: Mr. Haider Soomar, M/s. Arun Alagappan Racing LLP & Mr. Chandrakanth Kankaria Mukteshwar Racing LLP. Trainer: Arjun Mangalorkar.

8. VIDURASHWATHA PLATE (DIV. I), (1,200M): GODDESS OF WAR (Antony) 1, Absolute Katrina (Sai Kiran) 2, Dr Ash (Vivek) 3 and Pandurr (Jagadeesh) 4. 5-1/4, 3/4 and 3/4. 1m 13.64s. Rs. 13 (w), 10, 17 and 20 (p), SHP: 40, THP: 54, FP: 49, Q: 38, Trinella: 331/174, Exacta: 1,127/389. Favourite: Goddess Of War.

Owners: Dr. C.A. Prashanth, Mr. P. Prasanna Kumar, Mr. K. Manoj Kumar, Mr. H.J. Balram, Mr. K. Harish Nayak, Mr. Satish G. Kundapur & Dr. Arvind M.N. Trainer: Prasanna Kumar.

Jackpot: Rs. 13,441 (38 tkts).

Runner-up: 4,378 (50 tkts).

Treble (i): 805 (12 tkts); (ii): 1,152 (15 tkts).